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## CHIANG KAI-SHEK IN CANTON

### Will Confer With High Military Officials REDS CAPTURE LUNGNAN

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, August 23.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek flew here at 2.15 p.m. today from Taiwan for a military conference with high officials. He was accompanied by his eldest son, Chiang Ching-kuo, and others and was met at the airport by General Pai Chung-hsi, the field commander in Central China.

### British Ship Turned Back From Shanghai

Taipei, August 23.  
Nationalist China Naval Headquarters today said a British merchantman had been turned back from an attempt to enter blockaded Shanghai.

The name of the ship was not given.

Chinese warships, the Naval Headquarters said, ordered the British ship back to Hong Kong—Associated Press.

### Iron Mine Sabotaged In Red Area

Shanghai, August 23.  
The Communist News Agency disclosed today the large-scale sabotaging of an iron mine and equipment in Chahar Province which "even involved Communist Party members and government officials."

The mine sabotaged was at Panchan near Suihwa in South Chahar. Half of the mine's equipment was removed and sold secretly in the black market, it was said. The sabotage had started last August and was discovered and stopped by the North China People's Government and the Chahar Provincial Government in June this year.

The news agency said several hundred generators and more than 90,000 metres of power wire were among the stolen equipment.

The news agency said the Government "treated the case lightly, saying the people took the steel and iron to barter for foodstuffs." The culprits were detained a few days and then released.

The news agency did not say whether any new arrests were made by the Communists. The mine's daily capacity at one time was 6,000 tons. It employed more than 25,000 workers and was operated by the North China Steel and Iron Company—Associated Press.

### The Weather

At 0500 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the physical depression which is centred about 200 miles E of Samar is probably moving slowly NW. Pressure is relatively low over the central Philippines and the Pacific to the Eastward. It is relatively high in the vicinity of the Luzon, pressure remaining low over central and W China.

Today's Forecast: Light or moderate southerly winds, scattered showers, otherwise partly cloudy.

Yesterday's Weather:—  
Maximum 85.5 deg. F.  
Minimum 67.0 deg. F.  
Rainfall 0.0 in.  
Readings at:—  
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Feb. 1-1949: 100.7 m.b.  
Mar. 1-1949: 100.7 m.b.  
Apr. 1-1949: 100.7 m.b.  
May 1-1949: 100.7 m.b.  
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Nov. 1-1949: 100.7 m.b.  
Dec. 1-1949: 100.7 m.b.

## PICTURES OF SPITFIRE CRASH



Two pictures taken at the scene of the Spitfire crash yesterday afternoon. Top picture shows the plane in flames. The second is the scene of the crash after the fire had been put out. Note the wreckage of one wing of the ill-fated Spitfire (bottom photo) being inspected by an RAF Military Policeman. Arrow points to the tail of the plane. ("China Mail" Photos.)

## RAF SPITFIRE CRASHES AT KAI TAK

A Royal Air Force Spitfire attached to the 80th Squadron which arrived in HMS Ocean recently to reinforce the Colony's defences, crashed at the foot of Lion Rock Hill at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, and the pilot was instantly killed.

The crack-up happened as the plane was coming in to land. It was seen to approach the airfield from a Northerly direction, with wings tipped vertically.

It crashed almost instantly on a fenced farm patch 25 yards behind an unnumbered hut store on the side of Ngau Chi Wan Road, which borders the North side of Kai Tak Airfield.

The impact of the plane against the earth sent up a billow of black smoke followed by flames shooting up high. The wings of the Spitfire were strewn a few yards from the wreck on either side of it. One wing, torn off completely from the fuselage, remained crumpled but intact a few feet behind the body of the plane.

The second wing however, was broken into several pieces and thrown further ahead on the left side of the fuselage.

The pilot was pinned in the cockpit. His death was believed to have occurred instantly.

The Spitfire was one of the three RAF planes on a daily routine exercise. The first plane touched down at 07 runway without incident. The second was the ill-fated one. The third Spitfire touched down safely, some 15 minutes after the second had crashed.

All Kai Tak personnel were soon on the scene of the disaster while the RAF and their fire fighting equipment arrived on the scene almost immediately after the crash, with the Fire Brigade lending efficient aid some minutes later.

**Villagers Watch**  
The large crowd of Kowloon City and Ngau Chi Wan villagers assembled outside the Police and RAF cordon watched the burning wreckage of the Spitfire.

Suddenly the burning wreckage came to life. Small explosions shot off from the burning bulk, playing an ironically gay and colourful scene above it, as incendiary bullets flew in dazzling patterns into the sky.

An eyewitness, a farmer living a patch of ground some distance from the scene of the crash described the crash.

"I saw the plane roar over me at a very low height," he said. "Its wings pointed to sky and earth. Before I could realise what was happening, it rolled over and crashed on to the ground some distance below me, catching fire immediately."

RAF military police cordoned off the area immediately surrounding the wreckage and reporters and press photographers were not allowed to enter this area.

Less than 15 minutes after the crash, another Spitfire of the 80th Squadron winged its way through the billowing smoke of the ill-fated craft to make a landing.

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### Ship Explosion In Taiwan Port

Taipei, August 23.  
The China Merchants ship Chungli exploded this morning at Kaohsiung and rocked the entire city. Ten warehouses of the Taiwan Sugar Corporation were completely burned down with heavy losses, several city government employees were injured and the city's telephone system was disrupted.

It is believed that the disaster was caused by the explosion of ammunition on board the vessel.—Reuter.

### More Troops Arrive In Macao

Macao, August 23.  
Portugal's first major reinforcements for her Macao garrison arrived in Macao Roads by the troopship Massara from Lisbon today and will land in the city tonight.

They comprise about 850 officers and men. Another 1,500 men, mainly coloured troops from Portuguese East and West Africa, are expected at the end of August.

These reinforcements will raise the garrison strength in the tiny colony to nearly 6,000, one of the highest figures in Macao's 450 years of history.

Official circles say here that the garrison is being built up to ensure internal security only. The add that the territory would be indefensible. If it came under direct military assault.

Most officials and leading citizens do not expect any immediate trouble. If the Communists reach the border. There are grave fears in some quarters, however, about the nature of the ultimate relations with the Communists.—Reuter-AAP.

### Shipping Firms Threatened By River Bandits

Canton, August 23.  
British and Chinese shipping companies in Canton have received blackmailing letters from bandit organisations in the delta area, demanding funds for arms, ammunition and food.

If these funds are not forthcoming the bandits threaten to mete out the same treatment to their ships as was given to the steamer Miki Orient which was mined in Canton River a few months ago.

Several river steamers including the Butterfield and Swire's Wusueh have been fired on between Canton and Hong Kong in recent weeks.—Reuter.

## Possibility Of Canton Uprising Worries KMT

Canton, August 23.  
The Nationalist authorities here are more worried just now over the possibility of a Communist-inspired uprising in Canton than by the Red drive on this city.

Last week reliable reports circulated that some 80 Communist sympathisers had been arrested here. The authorities, however, kept mum on the subject. Later reports suggested some of those implicated were officers of the Kwangtung Pacification Headquarters.

Meanwhile, a movement for a local peace is reported to be under way. Behind it are some officials who believe peace is the best way out; and it is safe to presume they are being encouraged both by the Reds and by former Kuomintang members who have broken away from the party.

The Government, while mum on this subject, too, is trying to quell the movement, particularly in view of the improved situation in Hunan Province.

The authorities some concern in the possibility of Red irregulars in Kwangtung Province staging a concerted drive on key points within the Nationalist lines.

Strong forces of these irregulars are reported to be lying low in the East River district of Kwangtung. This waterway runs in a zig-zag line North Eastwards from Canton.

Everyone in authority here admits the possibility of thousands of Communist plain-clothesmen being in Canton, a city to which they have been able over past months to gain easy access, generally in the guise of refugees or ordinary travellers.—Associated Press.

### BOAC Argonaut Leaves London For Hong Kong

London, August 23.  
An Argonaut airliner left London airport for Hong Kong today on the inaugural flight of the new British Overseas Airways Corporation service to the Far East.

Sir Miles Thomas, Chairman of the Corporation, who saw the plane off at the airport, said: "Although we are flourishing in triumph, this is really a day of major importance in the history of British civil aviation."

"This is the first truly civil airliner to be operated on the BOAC's Eastern routes since the war, as distinct from the converted military design."

"Commonwealth built and powered by British Rolls-Royce engines, this Argonaut is the forerunner of a fleet that will put BOAC's Eastern operations in a position to provide better service than ever before. The regular schedule to Hong Kong and Tokyo follows at once.—Reuter.

### Chiang To Make Inspection Tour

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who arrived in Canton this afternoon, will visit North West and South West China, including Chungking, Chengtu and Kunming, for an inspection tour within the next few days, according to a source close to the Generalissimo, reports Reuter.

This source said that the 12-man Emergency Council, highest organ of the Kuomintang Party, will hold an important meeting tomorrow, or on Thursday for an exchange of views of the military and international situation.

The source gave a flat denial to the press reports that an 'international force' was being organised to aid the Nationalists in their war against the Chinese Communists.

The Nationalists are prepared to launch a counter offensive against the Communists in Central China.

The decision was reached at an emergency military conference held in Canton last night, according to the Chinese newspaper 'Ta Kung Pao.' Acting President Li Tsung-jen presided at the conference.

General Pai Chung-hsi, who was widely cited as he flew to Canton today to confer with Premier Yen Hsi-shan, adds Associated Press. As a gift to the Canton zoo, he brought along a live tiger that his troops had caught North of Henyue.

The army spokesman said there was no change on the front 170 miles North East of Canton, where the Reds have made their nearest approach to this city.—Our Own Correspondent, Reuter and Associated Press.

### SHANGHAI PRAGUE TELEGRAPH SERVICE

San Francisco, August 22.  
Telegraphic service between Shanghai and Prague started on August 16, Peking Radio reported tonight. It said that this marked the 'first telegraphic communication between Shanghai and the new democratic countries in East Europe'—Reuter.

### Radio War Against Yugoslavia

London, August 23.  
A radio war against the Yugoslav leaders seems to have been opened with a 'ghost's voice' breaking in on the Belgrade radio broadcasts, denouncing Tito, Reuters listening post reported today.

"Tito has made you outcasts," the ghost voice says. "Tito has reduced you to misery," or "Tito has brought upon you the wrath of the mighty Soviet Union and all your neighbours."

While these short scathing interruptions are injected into the Radio Belgrade broadcasts, Radio Budapest, the most powerful transmitter in Central Europe, has opened up a new series of broadcasts in Yugoslav languages.

Radio Belgrade last night postponed its transmission time by nearly a quarter of an hour in an effort to avoid the ghost voice's interruptions.

"The speaking" on the Belgrade radio follows a long period of humming of the transmitter which began shortly after the Communist criticisms of Tito and has now blotted the medium wave station of the radio map to such an extent that it can no longer be heard clearly in Britain.

The Budapest broadcasts now include a new dictation speed broadcast in Serbo-Croatian, which should be receivable by Yugoslavs with even the most primitive sets. It was in these transmissions that the Yugoslavs were first told of the latest Soviet note attacking the Tito government for alleged ill-treatment of Soviet citizens.—Reuter.

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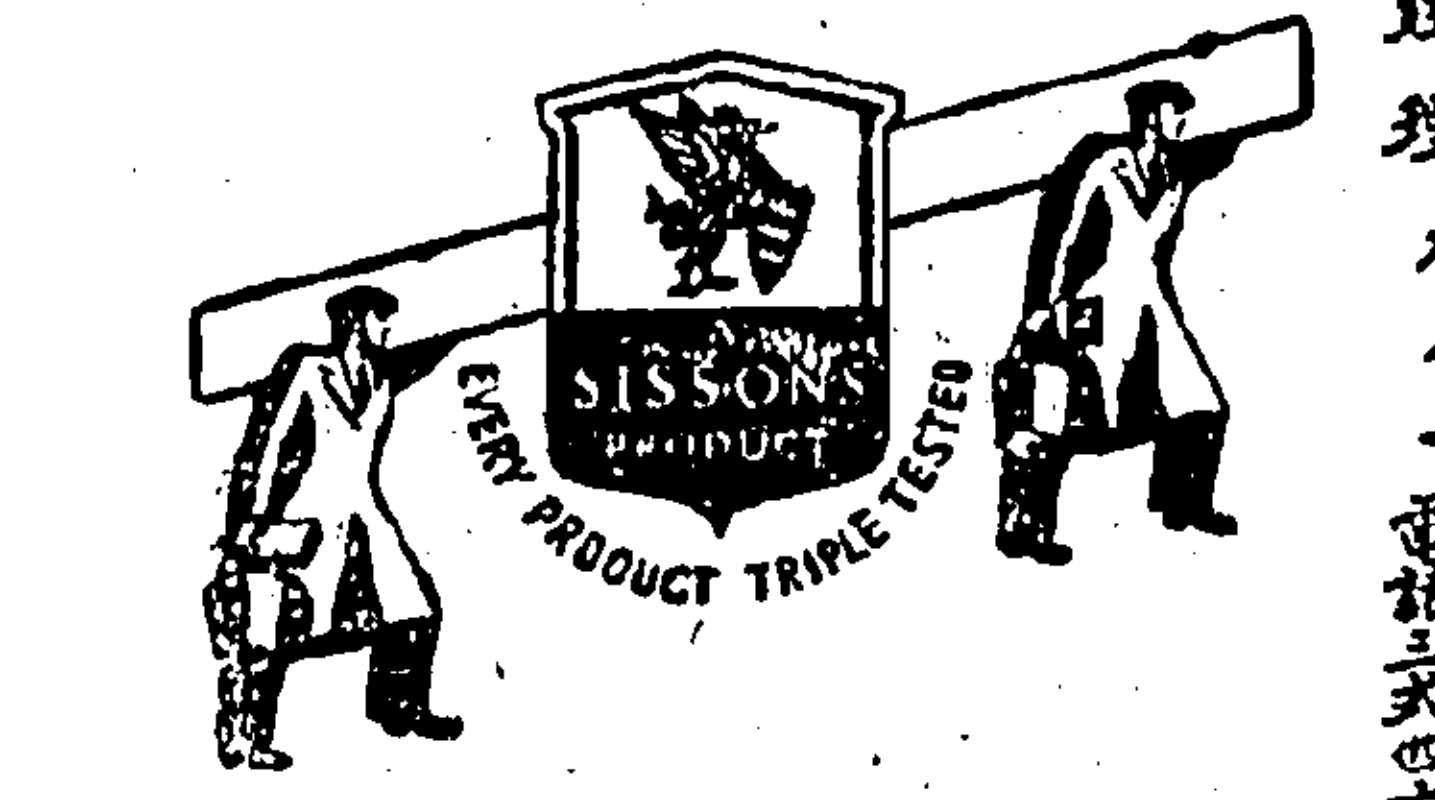
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## History Of Racing In China Recounted In Rotary Club Talk

In a 20-minute talk before the Hong Kong Rotary Club yesterday, Lieutenant Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin, OBE, touched upon racing in China, extending back more than 100 years, as well as many old China hands connected with racing.

There were race courses and racing in Peking, Tientsin, Harbin, Mukden, Dairen, Newchwang, Hankow, Shanghai, Amoy, Foochow, Macao and Hong Kong.

For racing in Foochow the speaker referred his listeners to Mr. W. M. E. Brand's article in the "Hong Kong Sunday Herald" of June 12, 1949. Racing in Foochow was continued up to 1913.

President Dowbiggin, who is a keen horseman, said that in more recent years—Shanghai had only the one course and held two big meetings a year—Spring Meeting in May, and Autumn Meeting in November. Later there were two other big courses and racing could be enjoyed, or otherwise, during practically every week in the year.

"Hong Kong Jockey Club up to quite recent years (1921 or 1922) held only one Race Meeting in the year, usually of four days, at the end of February or early March, and during the summer the Gymkhana Club held five or six small meetings on Saturday afternoons; owing to the scarcity of race ponies kept here then in the summer, Polo, scurries, Tent Pegging and Ladies' Nonington Races helped to fill up the programmes.

"Stakes at these Gymkhana Meetings were very small, with silver cups etc. for the 'rundry' events mentioned above. "Most of our good ponies were sent up to Shanghai for the summer months and put out in paddocks there between the Shanghai and Amoy meeting, in which they would be used.

"Visiting ponies used to come down from Shanghai and Amoy for big meetings—most of Hong Kong's owners would endeavour to obtain the services of a well known Shanghai or Tientsin Jockey for their stables, and among the riders from the North I have seen riding on this course were "Chuck" Burkill, "Tiny" Midwood, Stewart (Tientsin), J. C. Cumming, Bill Hill, J. A. Hayes, Eric Moller (Senior), Vida, Wake, Cox, and in recent years "Bungle" Moller and Chris Moller, "Pocun" Marshall, Encarnacion, Johnny Heard, Polo Hunt, Victor Needa and H. Maitland, and before my days Mr. A. W. Burkill, Mr. E. "Nunky" Sassoon, Harry Hutchings, J. A. Pond, "Pip" Leach, Nicholls and the re-eminent Tommy Hough, Mr. W. McLean, V. R. Crawford, and Mr. W. Crawford. In the early days there were Messrs. Ogle, Lusk and Dunham.

"Among the best known Jockeys resident in Hong Kong were Godfrey Chester-Master, W. J. Gresson, W. B. Dupre, John Johnstone, Harold Seth, Archie David, who rode as Mr. Knoll; Sedgewick, "Digger" Doyle, Nobby Clark (all of Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank), Donald Black, Leo Frost, and now V. Needa, Maitland and Brodie have joined us from the North.

**Chinese Jockeys**  
"The first few Chinese Jockeys in 1927 were K. H. Chan, J. L. Wong, Tang Loo and Lo, and in 1928 K. C. Chan, Ip Kai Ying, K. C. Lau, H. C. Lee, S. Y. Liang, S. To Wong, etc.

"Godfrey Master was an outstanding horseman and equally good on a China pony or horse and a well known figure in the hunting field of Gloucestershire etc. During the Boxer Rebellion when China ponies could not be obtained to race here, a batch of horses was imported and Master was practically every Race thereon.

"W. J. Gresson, after his retirement, was Master of the Croome Hunt for many years and eventually died from the result of an accident in the hunting field. He kept quite a string of horses in training in England a few in Flat racing but mostly Steeplechasers, which were trained by R. H. H. John Johnstone could be claimed as both a Shanghai and Hong Kong Jockey and was a great rider and fine horseman. He like Gresson, kept a number of horses in training in England and Scotland and figured prominently at the Ayr meetings. Likewise he kept a big string of hunters at Malton in Yorkshire and from there hunted practically every day of the week.

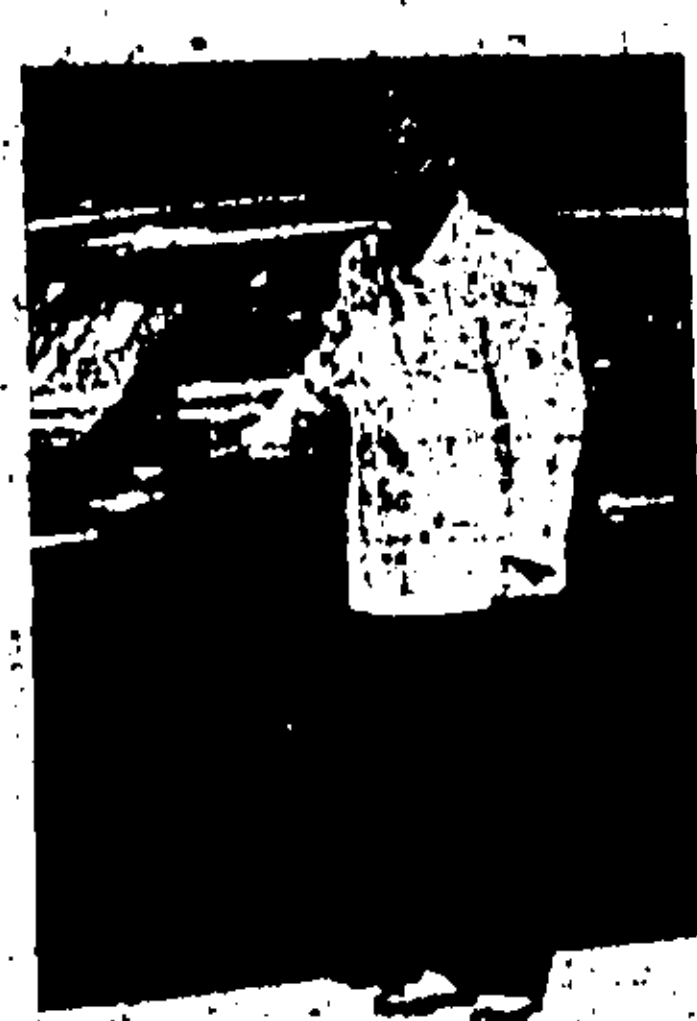
"One of the greatest characters in racing in China was undoubtedly T. F. "Tommy" Hough. After leaving Marlborough he enlisted in the 8th Hussars and attained the rank of Captain and Riding Master. He served in India before appearing in Shanghai.

"Soon after he was given a job in Jardine Matheson & Co. and scored many victories for "John Peel" the name under which "Tommy" Hough has ridden for so many decades.

"Of Tommy Hough, Sir Henry May wrote: "He was the strongest rider that has ever been seen in Hong Kong or China—a fine horseman, possessed of great coolness and judgment, he always did his mount justice and gave owners satisfaction. He was possessed in addition of extraordinary strength, and it is no exaggeration to say that he won many races on ponies that no other man riding at the time could have won on.

"Hough had the misfortune to break his right leg very badly through his mount "Vagrant", owned by Mr. James Bell-Young, falling with him in a race for the Champion Stakes in 1894. "This accident caused endless troubles and brought his brilliant career as a gentleman rider to an end."

"When I came here in May 1906 there were still a few private stables in the Colony, Mr. J. J. Master's at Morrison Hill and G. E. Hall-Brutton's at "The Castle" but most of the ponies were kept at Kennedy's Stables at Causeway Bay adjoining which was the Polo Ground. Later under the able Chairmanship of C. G. S. Mackie, our present Air Stables and Grandstands were erected in 1931 and 1932 respectively.



Mr. Dewey Smith, Vice-President of Studebaker Corporation, who stopped at Kai Tak yesterday en route to Cairo on his 11th global tour. ("China Mail" Photo.)

## Studebaker Official's Brief Visit

A man who handles Studebaker cars leaving America but flies most of the time to supervise the sales stopped at Kai Tak yesterday for two hours en route to Cairo from Manila.

He is Mr. Dewey Smith, Vice-President of Studebaker Corporation, who is on another round-the-world business trip to augment his record of having travelled 230,000 miles by plane during the last 27 months.

"This was not his first visit, either. "I have been seeing this Colony several times during my global tours," the genial American said when interviewed at the airport before leaving for the Middle East by Studebaker produces 1,500 cars a day and the vehicles leaving American plants come under Mr. Smith's supervision.

There are 11 plants outside the United States, and one is in the making at Manila. From Cairo, Mr. Smith will visit Paris, Brussels, Rome, Copenhagen and London, to participate in motor car exhibitions expected to take place in the next few months.

**HK Exhibition?**  
Asked about the possibilities of staging an exhibition in Hong Kong, Mr. Smith was very approving. "There should be one here. It will stimulate interest and, of course, provide good advertising for the Colony in general," he remarked.

He recalled the July exhibition at Manila, which was held in the Manila Hotel.

Mr. Smith added: "If possible and given the facilities, Studebaker might take the initiative to start campaigning for an exhibition in Hong Kong."

## FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

The food and fuel costs for the week ended August 23 issued by the Labour Office were as follows:

Labrador Oil, 2.2 catty	\$4.7000
Vegetables, 1.0 catty	1.8023
Salt Cabbage, 0.2 catty	2.780
Oil, 0.7 catty	1.4030
Ten, 0.2 catty	0.0500
Salt fish, 0.3 catty	1.0050
Fish, 0.4 catty	1.3080
Pork, 0.3 catty	1.070
Firewood, 10 catty	8.800
Bean Curd, 14 pieces	7.000
Total	\$14.2220

The average of the Food and Fuel figures for the weeks ended July 30 to August 20 is \$14.2058. The Rehabilitation Allowance for the month of September, 1919 was therefore be:

Daily-paid Workers: Artisans \$3.20 a day, Coolies \$2.55 a day, Females \$1.95 a day. Monthly-paid Workers: Males \$50 a month, Women \$64.50 a month.

Races) Henry Humphreys with his "Mouse" stable, R. M. Dyer with his "Lock" ponies, A. G. Stephen and Stitt, and E. S. Kadoorie with his "Chief" stable.

"Sir Paul Chater's ponies all bore the name of "Darius" and those of "Moffy" "Rosa" and were trained by Curruken, who came from India and was an undoubted wizard in training and feeding race ponies, especially as he was never known ever to lose one.

"An owner who will never be forgotten by old China Hands was F. B. Marshall, who raced successfully for many years in Amoy, Shanghai and Hong Kong—his ponies all bearing the name of a "Tree." Most owners there supervised their own training more than in these days and had their own Chinese to assist.

"The No. 1 Chinese trainer here dates from the introduction of the "P" class pony and amongst the earliest was Gramopereff brought down by Lambert Dunbar. He, like Curruken, never rode but was undoubtedly a very successful trainer. He was preceded in 1931 by T. K. K. (now Mr. Thomas), who came down to train for "P" class. He and our other Chinese trainers all ride their ponies in training.

## CONDITIONS IN PEIPING REVEALED BY STUDENT

(By Our Harbour Reporter)  
Conditions in Peiping, proposed capital of Communist China, were revealed in a letter which reached the Colony yesterday—six weeks after it was written.

While stating that business, production, education and communication facilities are normal the writer disclosed that some of the social problems have not been settled yet and the local economy is still not stabilised.

The writer, a graduate of St. John's University, Shanghai, who left Hong Kong for Peiping via Tientsin by the ss. Hunan last April, is now a student in the North China University preparing for a political career in the Ministry of Propaganda.

He wrote that North China has recovered much of what was lost after a short period of reconstruction. "The People's Government is now doing its best for the recovery of the nation. Business, production, education and communication are all as usual," he said.

"Many universities have been founded for mass education of the younger generation—North China University, People's Revolutionary University, North China Military and Political College, and the Economic and Financial College, to name the more important ones.

The student said that although he is a college graduate of two universities of it is primary student here both in Marxist theory and in ability.

**Hopes To Learn**  
He added: "I hope to learn more and I am going to. There is so much to study. The writer declared that the People's Government is doing its best to solve several social problems (which he did not specify). "Part of the people are still jobless. The authorities are now trying to eliminate the difficulties," he said.

"Commodity price in the Liberated area is still not so stable on account of military needs," he disclosed. "This however did not worry the people very much as it is realized that under the present wartime condition, such "privatization" is a necessity.

"Peiping is a city of our national culture. There are large libraries, museums, palaces and numerous places of education. "The bonanzas of this ancient Chinese capital have not yet been tainted by the war," he remarked.

The British steamer Hunan left the Colony April 23 with about 200 Chinese—all bound for Tientsin. She encountered heavy seas en route.

"The sea was not so calm, the winds were strong. Some of us got seasick but hope in our hearts brought us courage and endurance," the writer related. The trip took 11 days. Many trekked by land to Peiping.

**Port Health Office Takes Precautions**  
In the face of the exodus of refugees from Communist-ruled China into the Colony by land, sea and air, the Port Health Office has extended its vigilance in safeguarding the Colony's health.

The routine of checking river shipping and all sailing craft visiting Hong Kong waters—enforced only when coastal ports are infected areas—has been recently re-imposed because of the prevailing influx.

To facilitate this operation, another PHO Medical Unit has been equipped with radio-telephone and constant communication is maintained with the shore station. This check-up requires only an inspection of infected persons arriving here from Mexico, Canton or other Chinese ports. It is similar to the PHO work in regard to ocean-going ships which have to anchor in the Eastern Quarantine Bay and pass the normal procedure before they can enter Victoria Harbour Proper.

Passengers arriving by train are also given the same surveillance at the Kowloon Canton Railway Station. The stringent anti-disease measures proved fruitful on several occasions.

A typhoid case was found aboard the troopship Devonshire, which arrived here from Liverpool via Rangoon at the week-end with more than 1,000 reinforcements for the Garrison here.

He was one of the 144 Asiatic personnel of the troopship. It was reported that the Indian seaman will be sent back by ship to Rangoon.

**FORTHCOMING WEDDING**  
RAF Corporal Robert Malvern, of Kai Tak, and W/AC Corporal Mary Lin Housley, of 30 Macdonnell Road, have announced their forthcoming wedding.

## Personalia

Admiral Chan Chak left for Canton yesterday. In the same plane was Mr. Hau Kam, Minister of Finance who arrived here on Monday from Taipei.

Among those leaving for Taipei by CNAC yesterday was Mr. Ming Shi-lin, Korean Consul to Formosa.

The Reverend Mr. Percy Smith will address the Y's Men's club tomorrow at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel. His subject will be "Boys and Girls Clubs in Hong Kong."

Arrivals from Swatow yesterday by the ss. Shengching included the Reverend Messrs. A. A. Klam, P. E. M. Averbach, A. A. M. Cyganek and Mr. E. P. Dunns.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Harlow, Mrs. J. G. Jones, Mrs. G. J. Findlay, Mrs. M. C. Smith, Messrs. G. V. Williams, B. C. Hope, P. A. Man, L. C. King, S. T. Chan, C. C. Wu, P. Y. She, M. Chan, and Lieutenant and Mr. V. L. Garesche.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wong, Mr. and Mrs. M. Lightwell, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Medlock, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gauder, Messrs. E. Bruce, C. Brock, C. S. Wu, R. D. Watson, L. T. Chang, C. R. Smith, E. W. Charwood, and Chok Mo Rationg.

Messrs. P. R. Iron, T. E. Pegg, W. R. Morrice, E. M. Zuckerman and E. Stroudling left for Singapore by P.O.A.C. yesterday.

Mrs. Isabel Marvel, Mrs. C. W. Haler, and Mr. Edward Chok left Hong Kong for Paris yesterday by Air France.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sellers, Messrs. W. de Aubrey, D. R. Munro Smith, and G. W. Carr left for Saigon yesterday by Air France.

## Firecracker Merchants Fined

Six local merchants were each fined \$100, and an employee was cautioned by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday for keeping the kind of firecrackers prohibited in the colony.

Defendants were Cheung Fan, Wai Hin-yick, Fun Lam, Anson Yau, Hui Hong-ching, Cheung Shui-kee, and Lau Man-cheung. First three defendants were represented by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, and fourth defendant by Mr. Griffiths.

All defendants said that they had no knowledge of their firecrackers containing the kind of explosives which render them easily combustible. The firecrackers were found in Godown No. 22 of the China Provident Company, and the total value is about \$38,000.

In fixing the fine, Mr. Hin-shing Lo reminded defendants of their responsibility as members of the community. The Magistrate said that he was imposing the maximum fine, though it happened in this case that the maximum fine was \$100.

## Menaces Case Continues

The trial is proceeding before Mr. Justice Gould, Puisne Judge, at the Criminal Sessions of Kiu Chi-chun, unemployed, who was arraigned on two counts each of uttering a letter demanding money with menaces and possession of a letter demanding money with menaces.

Kui, who is defended by Mr. Percy Chen instructed by Wilkinson and Orlist, is alleged to have written two letters to one Cheung Yik-chi manager of an iron works in Kowloon, on June 8 and 11 this year, in which he demanded \$20,000.

The letters also are alleged to threaten the complainant with fire consequences if he did not pay.

Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector H. T. Tyler, is prosecuting. According to the prosecution, accused was arrested some time after the complainant had handed both letters—which were found to be from the same source—to the police. The police then made a dummy package and handed it to complainant, who in accordance with instructions from the letters, went and placed the package at a certain spot on a hillside. It was alleged that accused even went over and took the package into a nearby hut, where he lived with a man and his wife.

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Notice is hereby given that  
an Interim Dividend of 60  
cents per share less tax has  
been declared in respect of the  
year ending 31st December, 1949.

This dividend will be pay-  
able on or after Tuesday, 6th  
September, 1949, at the Re-  
gistered Office of the Company,  
where Shareholders are re-  
quested to apply for warrants.

Notice is hereby also given  
that the Register of Members  
of the Company will be closed  
from the 24th day of August to  
the 6th day of September, 1949,  
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
W. H. PATERSON,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, August 12, 1949.

## NOTICE

GOVERNMENT  
OF HONG KONG

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT  
REMINDER

All registered nurses who  
are not in Government service  
are reminded that their names  
will be excluded from the  
nurses register if the retention  
fee of \$2 is not paid before the  
end of September, 1949.

I. NEWTON,  
Director  
of Medical Services.

Hong Kong, August 23, 1949.

## NOTICE

TREASURY

The public is hereby notified  
that owing to extensive struc-  
tural alterations, it has been  
found necessary to close the  
Treasury Revenue Branch and  
the Stamp Office, Prince's  
Building, Ground Floor, on  
Monday, August 28, 1949. As  
Tuesday, August 30 is a public  
holiday, the Revenue Branch  
will therefore be closed to the  
public from 1 p.m. on Satur-  
day, the 27th, till 9 a.m. on  
Wednesday, August 31, 1949.

H. R. HIRST,  
Accountant General.

August 23, 1949.

## POLICE NOTICE

Licensing Office will be  
closed on Friday, August 26  
and renewal of Drivers' Li-  
cences Nos. 8401 to 9000 may  
be renewed either on Thurs-  
day, August 25, (the usual  
hours) or on Saturday, August  
27 from 09.15 to 11.00 hours.

By Order of the Board,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,  
Agents.

Hong Kong August 8, 1949.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

## NOTICE

## REDUCTION OF CHARGES FOR CURRENT

Charges for current will be reduced for all meters read  
on and after October 1, 1949:—

LIGHTING	From	To
	cents	cents
Monthly account		
1 to 150 units	35	33
100 " 625 "	33.25	31.35
600 " 1,000 "	31.5	29.7
1,000 " 1,500 "	29.75	28.05
1,500 " 2,000 "	28	26.4
2,000 " 2,500 "	26.25	24.75
2,500 " 3,000 "	24.5	23.1
3,000 " 3,500 "	22.75	21.45
3,500 " 4,000 "	21	19.8
Over 4,000 "	19.25	18.15

For The Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd.,  
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Hong Kong, August 8, 1949.

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## Junk Master Released By Bandits

Held by bandits for nine  
days, Chun Kwok, master of  
motor-junk Wing Fat Hing,  
arrived in Hong Kong yester-  
day and applied for a duplicate  
Certificate of Competency at  
the Marine Department.

The original Certificate was  
among his personal belongings  
taken away by the bandits.  
Chun, indicating his motor-  
junk off Tung Kun district on  
August 8 when it was held up by  
a boat load of bandits.

They ransacked the junk, kid-  
napped Chun and some others.  
Apparently unable to reap any  
ransom from the detention of  
Chun, the bandits released him  
nine days later.

Chun made his way to Hong  
Kong, looked up friends and re-  
latives. After getting himself  
some new clothes, and some  
money he went to the Marine  
Department yesterday for a  
duplicate Certificate of Com-  
petency which he obtained with-  
out difficulty.

## Perjury Case Withdrawn

The case against K. E.  
Mogri, who was charged with  
perjury, was withdrawn by  
Sub-Inspector Thomas on the  
instruction of the Attorney  
General at Central yesterday  
before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida.

Defendant was charged with  
giving false information in a  
tenancy case on April 16, 1948.  
Mr. Y. K. Kan who represented  
defendant told the magistrate  
that a certain amount of publicity  
has been given in this case in  
both the English and Chinese  
Press.

Defendant is a well known  
merchant in the Colony and he  
should leave this court without  
a stain in his character.  
Mr. d'Almeida said that defen-  
dant is innocent and is discharg-  
ed.

The case first came before Mr.  
d'Almeida on June 4, 1948, and  
Mogri was on bail of \$5,000.

## SUA MANGGIS RUBBER COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Incorporated under the  
Companies Ordinances,  
Hongkong)

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31st DECEMBER, 1948.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the Thirty-fourth Or-  
dinary General Meeting of  
Shareholders in the above-  
named Company will be held  
at 601/606 Marina House,  
Hongkong, on Wednesday, 24th  
August, 1949, at 12.15 p.m. for  
the following purposes.

To receive and consider the  
Directors' Report and State-  
ment of Accounts for the year  
ended 31st December, 1948;  
to elect a Director; to elect Au-  
ditors; and to transact any other  
ordinary business of the Com-  
pany.

The Transfer Books of the  
Company will be closed from  
the 15th to the 24th August,  
1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of  
Directors,  
J. A. WATTE & CO., LTD.  
Secretaries.

Hong Kong, July 30, 1949.

## THE SHANGHAI-MALAY RUBBER ESTATES, LIMITED.

(Incorporated under the  
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Hong Kong, July 30, 1949.

## Imports Ban Lifted Conditionally

The ban on imports of paper,  
raw cotton, wool tops and sul-  
phate of ammonia, imposed by  
the Port Executive Committee  
at the beginning of the month  
owing to the overstocking of  
local godowns, has been con-  
ditionally lifted.

Imports of the ban aroused  
considerable protest from im-  
porters of these commodities, and  
representations were made to the  
Hong Kong General Chamber of  
Commerce, whose intervention  
led to the Port Executive Com-  
mittee modifying its previous  
decision.

The Freight Conference have  
now been authorized to accept  
these cargoes if the importer  
can produce a declaration,  
countersigned by the Hong  
Kong General Chamber of  
Commerce, that he is prepared  
to accept delivery alongside  
ship on arrival, or to remove  
the cargo from the godown  
within the free storage period  
of one week after arrival.

Importers came to this arrange-  
ment with the Hong Kong Gen-  
eral Chamber of Commerce after  
they had given an assurance that  
they would find their own storage  
accommodation for all cargo  
brought in.

Enquiries made by the "China  
Mail" reveal that the cargo  
storage situation in Hong Kong  
has shown no improvement since  
the Port Executive Committee  
issued its warning.

## ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CENTENARY APPEAL

Following are the latest dona-  
tions to the St. John's Cathedral  
Centenary Appeal:—

Mrs. E. M. Murray	2 0 0
Kate M. Murray	1 0 0
N. Dickins	1 0 0
Eng. Rear Admiral W. H. Mitchell	1 0 0
Mrs. M. B. Bryant and Mary	5 0 0
Tracy	5 0 0
Mr. J. A. Thompson	5 0 0
Donna J. Gold	10 0 0
M. Sampson	1 0 0
Mr. Syme Hendin	1 0 0
Alfred M. Seymour	1 0 0
G. P. Wyatt	2 0 0
R. Hope Colbold in memory of	5 0 0
Rowland Francis Colbold	5 0 0
J. T. Webster	5 0 0
F. A. Wells	3 0 0
Col. E. Clement Smith	5 0 0
Dr. May Thomas	1 0 0
Miss R. H. Webb	1 0 0
Miss Mary Drury	10 0 0
Mr. Joseph and Lady Kemp	2 0 0
Mr. Col. E. H. Rigg	1 0 0
Mr. J. H. Rigg	1 0 0
Mr. R. A. Young	5 0 0
Members of H. K. Electric Re-	HK\$250
creation Club	
Mr. C. P. M. Smith	50
Mr. E. A. Keller & Co., Ltd.	600
The National Cash Register Co.	100
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bremner	40
Mr. Kwok Hin Wang	50
Mr. H. W. Randall	100
Mr. N. Morgenstern	10

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losis Association's Flag Day  
Committee gratefully acknow-  
ledges the following donations:—  
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MacGregor \$250, Kan Cheung Yan \$100,  
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R. C. Chan \$25, Anonymous \$25, Wong  
Tak Kwong \$20, Liu Sing Kook \$20, Chan  
Kung Po \$20, Liu Kwai To \$20, Dr. B. Y.  
Chen \$20, Wong Foon Shing \$20, Poon  
Cheung \$20, Lee Wah Chiu \$20, H. S. Mok  
\$20, Thomas Tam \$20, Dr. Ho Chee Wing  
\$10, E. R. Zimmerman \$10, Marcel Uebachs  
\$10, Mak Wei Tin \$10, She Tai Chung  
\$10, J. F. Howarth \$10, Cheung Shui Ping  
\$10, Fok Po Chay \$10, Fung Wei Tung  
\$10, Johnson Young \$10, The Chuk Wing  
St. Ginam Leo \$5, L. Breny \$5, Law  
Wai Kun \$5, C. Y. Young \$5, P. C. Sin \$5,  
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Wong Pak Kuen \$5, Tai Nam Ping \$5.  
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presents  
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in  
The Snake Pit  
also Starring  
MARK STEVENS  
and LEO GENN



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Directed by ANATOLE LITVA

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MAY GAIN, CAN'T LOSE  
THERE are some plays which  
have only the slightest chance to  
gain anything for your side, but  
which can't possibly cost you  
anything if they don't work.  
Such a play is one from which  
you profit on the defence if your  
partner happens to hold some one  
card. Even though there is hard-  
ly any likelihood that he has it,  
you should play as if he does, in  
a situation which can't hurt you  
if he lacks the card.

S K 7 6 2  
H Q 8 7 6 2  
D A 4 3  
C 5 4  
S Q 9 8 4  
H A K 9 3  
D K Q 10  
C 5 4

NE  
W E  
S  
S A J  
H 10 5 4  
D 5  
C K Q J 8 7 6

(Dealer: East. Both sides vul-  
nerable).

East South West North  
1 S 2 C 2 D 2 H  
3 D 3 H 4 D 4 H  
Pass Pass Dbl.

That was a whole of a lot of  
bidding for two vulnerable pairs,  
owing largely to each player hav-  
ing fair length in a different suit  
from the others. Surely you  
can't blame West for doubting.  
The way it all sounded you  
would expect him to ret the con-  
tract a couple of tricks. Actu-  
ally he could have beaten it  
only one, but didn't.

East led the 2 of his partner's  
diamonds, the Q losing to the A  
and North promptly went to  
work on the clubs. His 3 lead  
was won by the A and East then  
shot at the spade side entry, lead-  
ing the 4, which the J won, leav-  
ing the A intact. Now North  
started on the job of clearing

trumps, leading the heart 4. West  
came in with the K and was sur-  
prised to see East have the J and  
play it. He didn't realise it then,  
but his play of the K gave the  
declarer his contract.

West returned the spade 5,  
which the A won. On the club  
K the declarer's last losing spade,  
the 7, was tossed. The club Q  
was ruffed by West's 9 and over-  
laid by the Q. The diamond 3  
was ruffed by the heart 5, club J  
by the heart 3 and 6, diamond 4  
by the heart 10 and then the club  
8 by the heart A for the defen-  
ders' third and last trick. North  
had two hearts left for the last  
two tricks.

Note that West would have  
broken the contract if he had  
played his heart 3 on the last of  
the 4 from dummy at the fourth  
trick. The fact that East had  
the J would have assured West  
three heart tricks in addition to  
East's club A. Of course East  
was not likely to have the 3 or  
Q of hearts, but then he might  
have held one of those cards, and  
did.

Tomorrow's Problem  
S A Q 6 3  
H Q J 10 9 8 7  
D A  
C K 5

S K Q 2  
H 6 3 2  
D Q J 10  
C 10 6

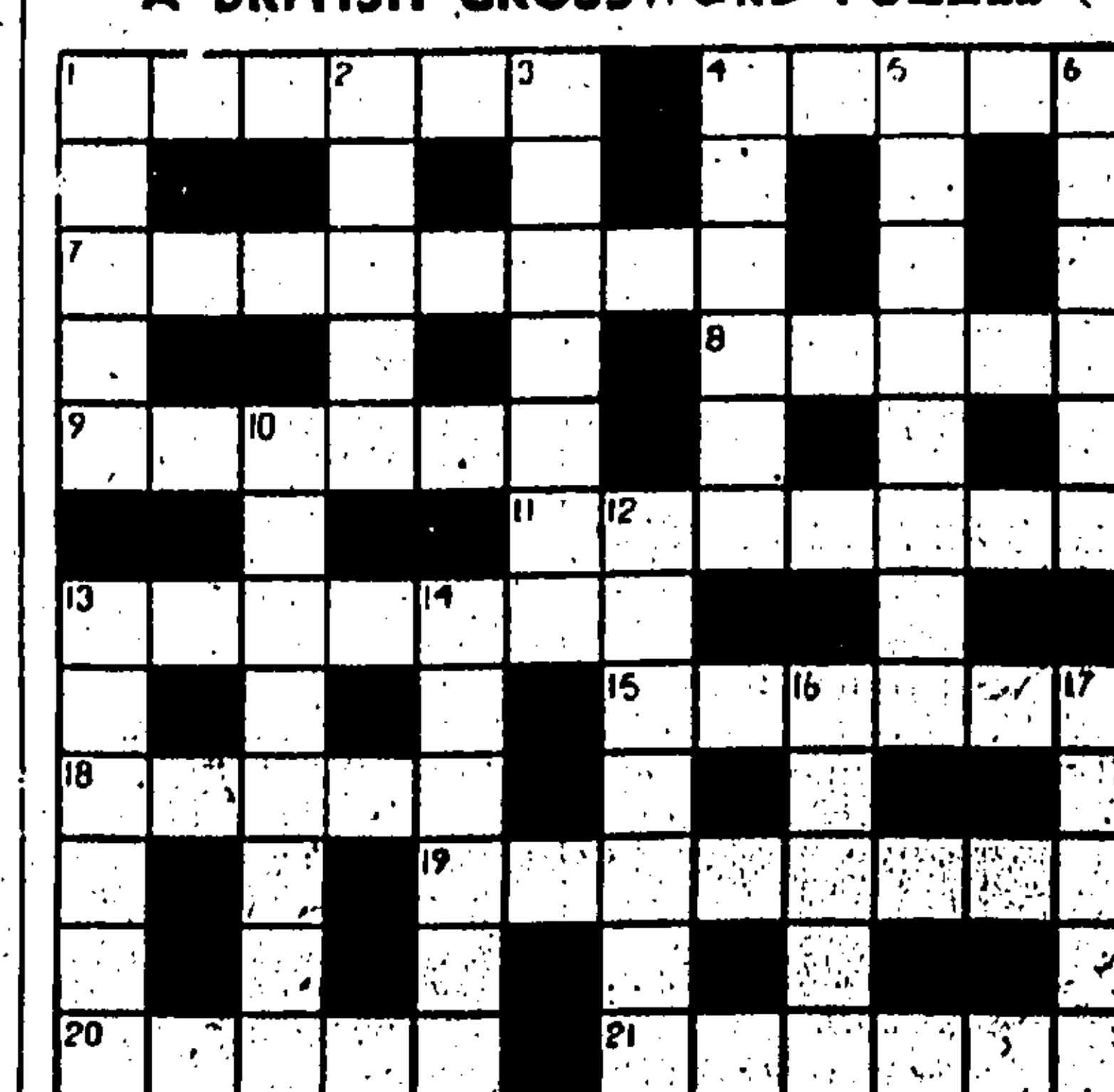
S 7  
H 6 4  
D 7 6 5 2  
C Q J 9 7

S J 10 8 5 4  
H A K  
D K 9 3  
C A 4

(Dealer: South. Both sides vul-  
nerable).

If any normal early bidding is  
done, followed by the Blackwood  
convention, what logic can justify  
North and South reaching a spade  
grand slam contract?

## A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1 Deprive of weapons.  
2 Cancel.  
3 Wander about.  
4 Summary.  
5 Faithless.  
6 Expunged.

Down

1 Gurb.  
2 Grave.  
3 Rough copies.  
4 Zealous.  
5 Truth.  
6 Hazardous.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across—1 Mass, 4 Special, 6 Tons, 9 Soap, 10 Atomic, 11 Warm, 13 Sala, 14 Tilted, 17 Pride, 19 Bring, 22 Treated, 26 Ears, 27 Cade, 28 Partial, 29 Fair, 30 Nape, 31 Thirty, 32 Rung.

Down—2 Appar, 3 Glow, 4 Smart, 5 Parnia, 6 Chas, 7 Actor, 12 Spot, 13 Lime, 16 Evil, 18 Sign, 19 Recant, 20 Roader, 21 Nation, 23 Reach, 24 Alter, 25 Delay.

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## CHINA TO STEP UP FORMOSA'S PRODUCTION

Taipei, August 22.

Formosa's rich resources and ever-growing industrial production will this year total US\$50,000,000, its military governor, General Chen Cheng declared recently.

The sum comprises US\$36,000,000 as the island's investment under its planned production programme and a net profit of some US\$14,000,000.

"The considerable step up the island's industrial output, the planned production programme represents a careful co-ordination and adjustment of the various industrial enterprises on the island," Governor Chen Cheng pointed out, adding that technical improvement and installation of additional equipment are going on at the same time as reinforcement of personnel and superintending organization.

Spark-plugging Formosa's industrial reconstruction plan, Mr. Liu Han-hsun, Minister of Economic Affairs and concurrently Chairman of the National Resource Commission, recently conducted a survey trip of the 11 NRC industrial units here. Taped by the Tsing-Sung Corporation, these enterprises comprise the power plant, paper mill, aluminum factory, coal mines, fertilizer plants, shipping yards, machinery manufacturing, petroleum complex, alkali factory and gold and copper plant.

"By curtailing running expenses on the one hand and stepping up the output on the other, the 11 NRC enterprises are expected to realize an annual profit of more than US\$10,000,000," Minister Liu told the press after

leaving reports on the state of industrial undertakings.

### Operating At Loss

"But everyone of the industries is not doing good business. The Alkali plant, for instance, is operating at a loss. However, so long as it proves essential to the people's daily needs, the government will still have to run it despite losses."

"Among these industries which are operated by the state and provincial government, the NRC holds 60 per cent of the shares while the rest is held by the provincial authorities. Profits likewise are shared on a 60-40 basis."

At present, however, the NRC cannot claim back the profit but must return it to the provincial government as payment for the Central government subsidy and other expenses incurred by the former.

Mr. Liu declared. After a thorough inspection of the various industrial units, he appeared to be largely satisfied with their present production condition, outlined an improvement programme which centres around:

(1) Co-ordination of the various units.

(2) Reduction and also in-

## Greeks Seek Bulgar As War Criminal

Athens, August 22.

Boris Temkov, Press Attaché at the Bulgarian Embassy in London, is sought by Greece as a war criminal, the Greek Ministry of Justice announced today.

Temkov was charged with murders, the exile of civilians, organising forced labour for military purposes, and looting the property of Greek citizens by the Greek Office of War Criminals after an examination of his record and after the evidence of witnesses had been heard.

(On August 11 the British Government asked the Bulgarian Charge d'Affaires in London for the recall of Temkov. No reason was then given for the request beyond stating that he was personal non grata.)—Reuter.

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## MALTA'S PREMIER TO RESIGN IF BRITAIN FAILS TO GRANT AID

London, August 22.

Dr. Paul Boffa, Malta's Prime Minister, who is here seeking British economic aid for the island, threatened tonight to resign if the whole question of Malta's economic future is not settled in the very near future.

"I have done what I can," Dr. Boffa declared. "The next move rests with the British Government."

"I am sure that they will not keep me very much longer without an answer to my suggestions. The question must be settled within a few days one way or the other."

I have made it clear to Mr. Crech Jones, the British Colonial Secretary, that what I suggest to solve our problems is, in fact, just as much in the interests of the United Kingdom as in the interests of Malta.

"If my suggestions are turned down, then I shall resign immediately."

Dr. Boffa said that the immediate question to be answered was the threatened dismissal of 1,200 workers at the British Navy's dockyards in Malta. He discussed the matter with Mr. Crech Jones in a two-hour meeting earlier today.

### Up To Britain

"It is now up to the British Government, when I see Lord

Hall, First Lord of the Admiralty, and when I have another meeting with Mr. Crech Jones," Dr. Boffa said.

"The next few days will, I am sure, show whether I have been successful or whether I shall have to resign."

The Maltese leader requested an appointment with the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, during the week-end talks with the Colonial Secretary and Sir Hilton Poynton, Under-Secretary in the Colonial Office's economic section.

The other two members of the Maltese delegation—Mr. Don Mintoff, Deputy Premier and Minister of Reconstruction, and Mr. Edward Ellul, Maltese Commissioner-General in London—resigned their posts last week because Dr. Boffa withdrew the Maltese Cabinet's ultimatum to the British Government.

Since his return to Malta last Wednesday, Mr. Mintoff has held public meetings at which Marshall Aid will be necessary to save the island.

The talks on Malta's economic future began here three weeks ago, the major points of discussion being the threatened dockyard dismissals and the British Treasury's refusal to renew the £300,000 contribution to Malta's food subsidies.—Reuter.

## Burmese Minister In London

London, August 22.

U Maung, Burmese Foreign Minister, arrived in London today by air from New York to resume discussions with the British Government after a ten day stay in the United States.

He told reporters upon his arrival that he had discussed trade agreements in the United States and had met the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and representatives of the Chinese and Korean governments to discuss co-operation in the East.

"We explored the possibilities of a Pacific pact," he added.

U Maung was due to meet the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in London later today.

When he was in London earlier this month, he had several interviews with Mr. Hector McNair, Minister of State, and high officials in many government departments, but both Mr. Bevin and Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, were abroad at that time.

Diplomatic quarters in London thought that a number of proposals for aid to Burma, worked out during the previous visit, require decisions from the Foreign Secretary and the Chancellor.

While in Washington, U Maung announced that Burma would be prepared to forego foreign capital investment.—Reuter.

## HARRY LAUDER, CRITICALLY ILL

Glasgow, August 22.

Sir Harry Lauder, 79-year-old Scots comedian, was today lying seriously ill at his home, Lauder Hall, near Strathaven, Lanarkshire. His condition was described as critical.—Reuter.

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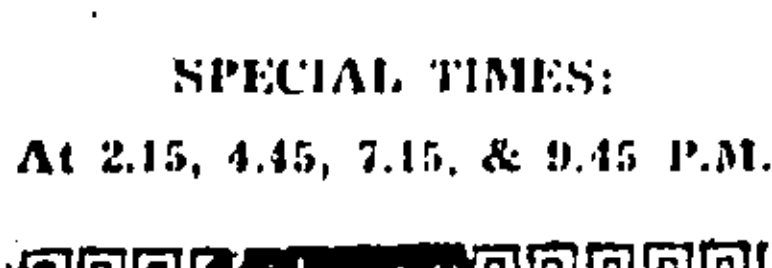
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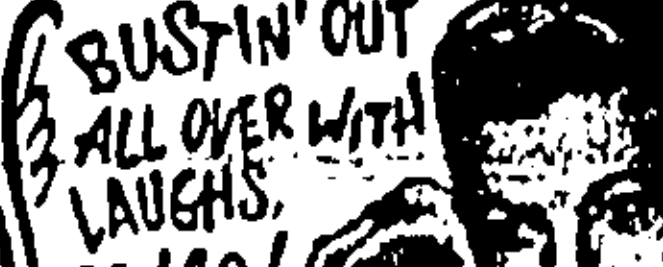
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# CEYLON NOW ABLE TO DRAW MORE FROM STERLING BALANCES

## Committee To Control Expenditure

Colombo, August 22.—The Ceylon Government has appointed a Cabinet committee to submit proposals for controlling Ceylon's foreign expenditure and increasing home production in the shortest possible time, the Finance Minister, Mr. T. Jayawardene, announced today.

The committee will complete its work within a month. It will draw up a programme for keeping imports within available exchange resources and implement the committee's proposals in the event of a conference of Commonwealth finance ministers in London.

The committee will be assisted by a group of permanent officials who would keep Ceylon's imports under constant review in relation to her balance of payments.

### To Meet Deficit

Mr. Jayawardene said that the release of £2,000,000 from Ceylon's sterling balances, which Britain and Ceylon have agreed to, according to an announcement today, would give Ceylon £2,000,000 to meet deficits in her balance of payments.

A deficit of £14,000,000 was estimated in last month's budget, but it was "proposed to reduce this to the equivalent of £9,700,000 and Ceylon, he stated, was drawing on her external assets at an annual rate of 20 per cent, and the necessity for reducing this was self-evident.

"Although we now have funds to meet this deficit, it is of the utmost importance to us to see that such a deficit does not occur," he stated.

## Saints' Bones Found Under Rome Basilica

Vatican City, August 22.—A stone casket containing bones believed to be those of St. Peter was found under the Rome Basilica of St. Peter during recent excavation, usually reliable Vatican sources said today.

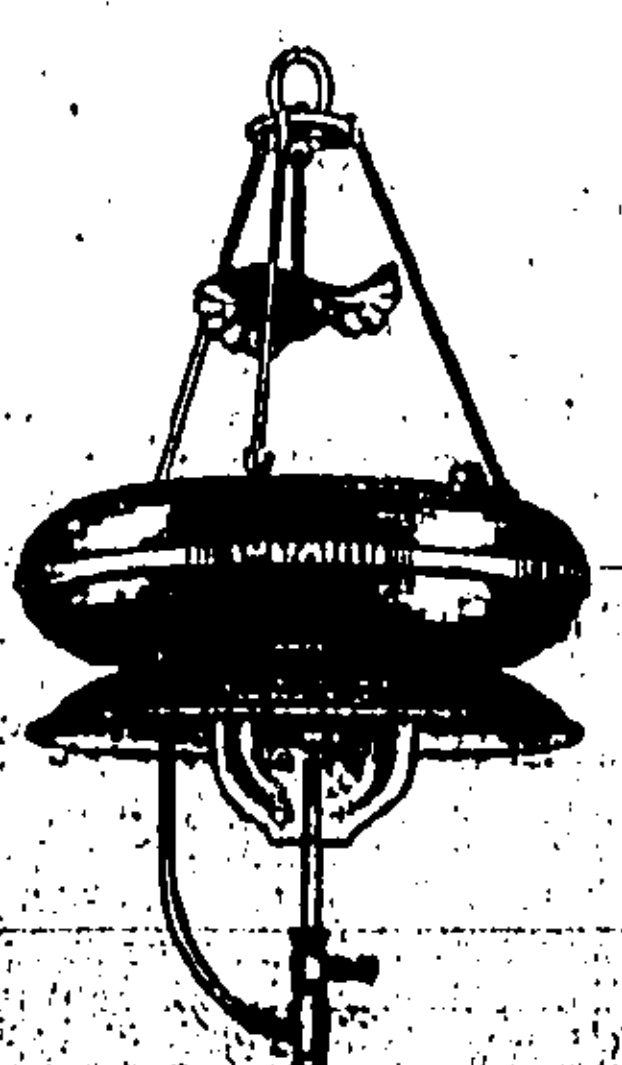
Strict secrecy surrounded the discovery and archaeologists and workmen engaged in the excavations are under oath not to disclose details.

Current rumours, however, suggest that the casket is now in the Pope's private Chapel, on the third floor of the Papal Palace here.

It was understood that a book shortly to be published by Jesuit Father C. Kirshbaum, who took part in the excavations, puts forward the theory that the bones were placed in the casket and transported to the Catacombs of St. Sebastian on the Appian Way probably during persecutions at the end of the third century.

The casket, according to Father Kirshbaum, was later returned to the Basilica where it has been found in the exact spot assigned by tradition to St. Peter's tomb. It was learned here today that a full announcement would be made this autumn by the publication of an official volume and that archaeologists would be invited to inspect the excavations.

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London, August 22.—Ceylon will be able to draw twice as much as last year from her sterling balances under the renewed sterling balance agreement with Britain, which was published today.

The agreement covers the 12 months ending June 30, 1950. It will enable Ceylon to draw £7,000,000 instead of £3,500,000 in the preceding 12 months.

The extra sum will be necessary because of the fall both in the export prices of Ceylon commodities—mainly rubber and tea—and in the demand for them, officials here stated.

In addition, a Treasury statement disclosed that the Ceylon Government continues to have the right, in the event of a substantial unforeseen rise in the price of essential foodstuffs, unbalanced by other sources of income, to call, after consultation, for an addition of £1,000,000 to the working balance.

The amount in Ceylon's number one account (the one from which she can spend her sterling) is understood to amount to around £9,000,000 at present.

Since Ceylon has agreed to keep a "working balance" of £4,000,000 in the bank, the addition of £7,000,000 will give her a spendable amount of about £12,000,000 over and above her earnings in the 12 months ending next June.

### Account Balance

Today's Treasury statement said that when the Ceylon Government establishes a Ceylon Central Bank, the operation of the Ceylon number two account (the unspendable balance) will be transferred to the new central bank. The balance in the number two account is understood to be about £45,000,000 at present.

Ceylon is the only self-governing member of the sterling area who makes a net contribution to the area gold and dollar pool. The statement said that, with one reservation, Ceylon agrees to contribute her surplus dollar earnings to the foreign exchange reserve of the sterling area. The reservation is that during the coming year, Ceylon will be able to keep a sum not exceeding £1,000,000 from her current earnings for the creation of a gold and dollar reserve to be held by the Reserve Bank when it is set up.

During 1948, Ceylon made a net contribution to the sterling area dollar reserves more than £2,000,000. It is not expected that she will be able to contribute nearly as much this year, mainly because of the decline in probable dollar earnings. One usually well-informed source believed today that Ceylon's contribution this year may not be much more than £3,000,000.—Reuter.

## United Attempts Against Franco

Madrid, August 22.—The recent arrests of Spanish Socialists and Anarchists, who were questioned about the alleged talks with monarchist leaders, have drawn attention here to attempts to unite monarchists, socialists and anarchists in a new effort against General Franco's regime. One monarchist section argues that only by an intelligent collaboration between all the moderate forces in Spain can a basis for a change be established.

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## Abdullah Inspects Brabazon

Bristol, August 22.—King Abdullah of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan looked over one of the world's largest aeroplanes today.

Dressed in traditional robes and accompanied by his son, Prince Naif, the bearded King toured the plant of the Bristol Aeroplane Company.

He was shown the giant Brabazon, 100-passenger, 8-engines craft, now undergoing tests. As the King arrived outside the assembly hall, all eight engines were running smoothly.

The King and his party were taken inside the huge craft. The Jordan ruler was accompanied by his Ministers of Justice and Defence, the Colonel of the Arab Legion and officers of the British Ministry of Supply.

### Shown Helicopter

King Abdullah was also shown a Bristol helicopter in flight and took lunch with directors and executives of the aeroplane company.

In the afternoon, he flew back to London's Northolt airport. Meanwhile in London, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, planned a private appointment with King Abdullah today.

Foreign Office spokesmen said Mr. Bevin, who is calling on King Abdullah at his London hotel, may well discuss matters of common Anglo-Jordanian interest, although the object of his visit was "courtesy only."

After seeing Mr. Bevin in the late afternoon, King Abdullah is going to spend the evening at a theatre. The show he had selected is the "Ice Cycle of 1947," an all-American musical extravaganza.—Associated Press.

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## Implacable To Be Sunk

London, August 22.—Although no definite date has been fixed, the only surviving ship of the Battle of Trafalgar, apart from Nelson's flagship, Victory, is to be sunk.

The Admiralty has announced that the Implacable will be taken down the Channel and sunk in Hurd Deep off Alderney. Much has been done to try to preserve this link with the glorious episode in British naval history, but it has been found impracticable to save her.

The Implacable was originally the French ship Duguay-Trouin and France may send a warship to be blown up by her when she is sunk. The old warship was launched in 1800 and served five years in the French Navy and captured at Trafalgar. She was renamed the Implacable and has been going service continued until 1945. She has since served as a training ship and accommodation ship.—Reuter.



Farmers in Kent are taking no chances on heavy wind or rain damaging the bumper crop of wheat and oats. Much of the British cereal harvest is already overripe, so all hands are working nights to get the yield in before the seeds drop from the ears.—(AP Photo).

## Hague Conference On Indonesia Opening

### DEPUTIES FAIL TO AGREE

London, August 22.—The Austrian deputies began the last full week of their conference this morning with an unproductive meeting under the chairmanship of Mr. Samuel Reber (United States) in which they ran through several articles of the Austrian peace treaty without progress being made.

The deputies failed to make any headway on Article 16. This deals with displaced persons and refugees.

The same was the case as regards Articles 26 and 27 which deal with the disposal of Allied and German war material in Austria and with the prevention of rearmament.

On paragraph six of the critical Article 35, dealing with German assets, disagreement appeared to have deepened. Paragraph six covers the definition of war booty and the conditions of payment by Austria of the lump sum due on account of German assets.

The Western Powers insist that industrial transport equipment must be returned by the Soviet Government to Austria under the categories of war booty and German assets in return for Austria's payment of \$150,000,000.

This is contested by the Soviet Government.—Reuter.

## Special Session Of PI Congress To Be Called

Manila, August 22.—To take up the Republic's budget for the current year and other major legislation left unacted by the last session of Legislators, President Quirino, upon consultation with Legislative leaders in Baguio, will call a special session of the Congress on August 31. The session is to last until September 2, according to the "Manila Times" today.

The decision was reached, the report added, during a luncheon conference on Sunday between President Quirino, the Acting Senate President, Mr. Mariano J. Cuenco, the House Speaker, Mr. Eugenio Perez, Senator Melicio Aranz, and the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Placido L. Mapa.

Quoting a highly reliable source, the report said, that the special session would tackle, in addition to the budget, the election law, the Public Works fund and the reformation of executive orders and other acts of the President in relation to his present emergency powers.—Reuter.

Asian nationalists, European and American political leaders and some of the world's powerful commercial interests were looking to the Hague tonight cautiously hopeful that a new post-war era of East-West co-operation was at last beginning in strategically important Indonesia.

It was the eve of the opening of a round-table conference between the Dutch and two groups of Indonesians, that is expected by observers to decide the last of the long disputed details of the Netherlands Indonesian co-operation plan—and build a South East Asian bulwark to further Communist penetration.

The plan—outlined in the Lingardjati agreement signed in March, 1947—provides for the formation of a sovereign United States of Indonesia linked in union under the Dutch Crown with the Netherlands Kingdom.

The agreement, it was thought, would end the fighting between Dutch and Indonesian Republicans that flared up after the Republicans proclaimed independence from the Dutch when the Japanese capitulated.

All reports reaching London today suggested that prospects for a final settlement at The Hague conference were better than at any previous stage.

### Changed Attitude

One Republican in London said his optimism was based largely on what he believed was a changed attitude among Dutch political parties, as reflected in last week's debate on Indonesia in the Dutch Parliament.

"Never before have we seen so certain a Parliamentary majority supporting Dutch Government policy trends," he said.

Dutch sources thought that there was a greater realisation among Republicans that Indonesia's future depended on co-operation with the Dutch.

Observers expected the Indonesian Republicans from Java and the Federalists from the other islands to ask the Dutch to set up a three-man directorship to select a Caretaker Government that will take over Indonesian sovereignty from the Netherlands next year.

Dutch commercial interests are believed to be concerned with the plans for continued Dutch economic co-operation in Indonesia and for the implementation of joint overseas trade and finance policies that must be outlined in the Statute of the Indonesian-Dutch Union.

American and other plantation owners may also be affected.—Reuter.

The U.S. Military government disclosed today that its dwindling forces in Berlin will be brought under unified control next month.

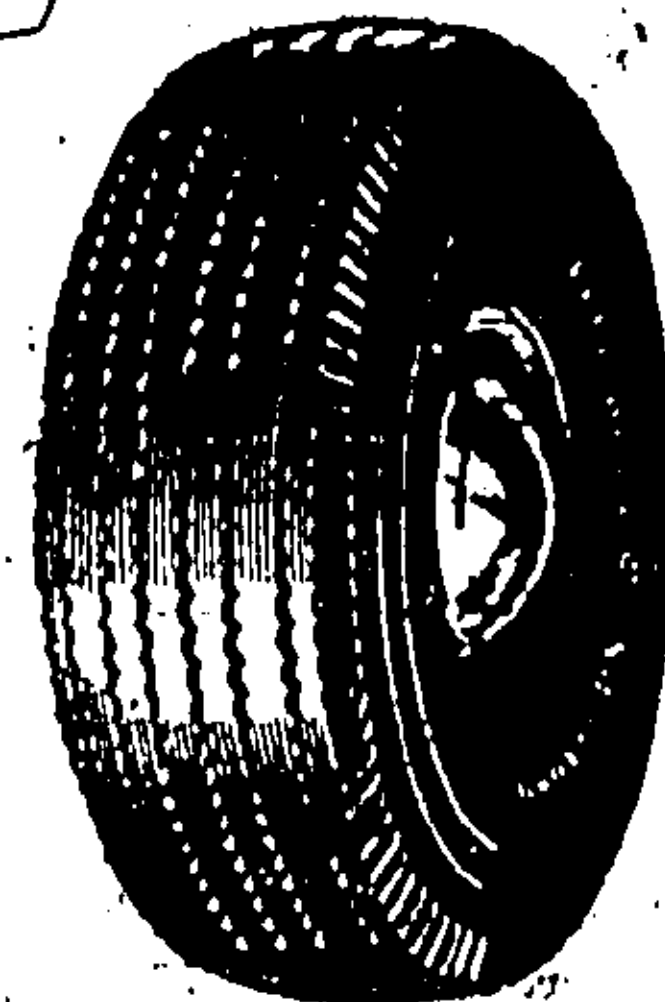
The move will be made when the State Department succeeds the military government as Supervisor of German affairs on September 15.

Officials dealing with purely Berlin matters, will be joined with those concerned with Germany-wide questions. All the offices will be concentrated in the so-called Omnia (Officers of the Military Government, United States) headquarters in Zehlendorf, main office of General Lucius D. Clay, until his retirement as Military Governor.

The Berlin sector building will be turned back to the German City Government.

By the time of the transfer, the Berlin sector force employed from 150 to 200 on Berlin sector questions and more than 1,500 on zone-wide matters.—Associated Press.

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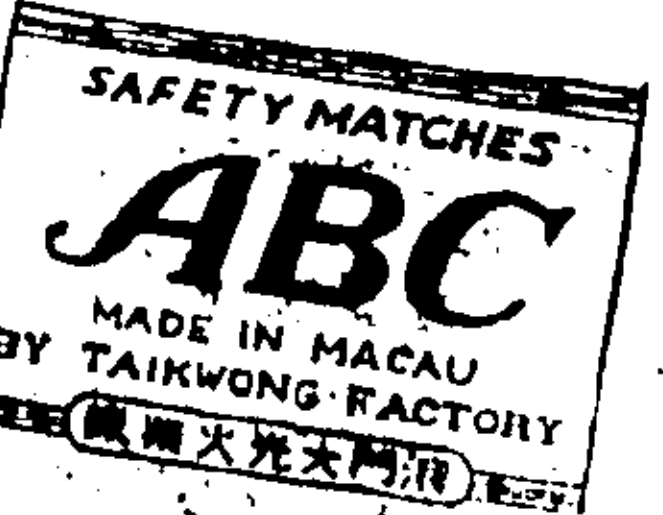
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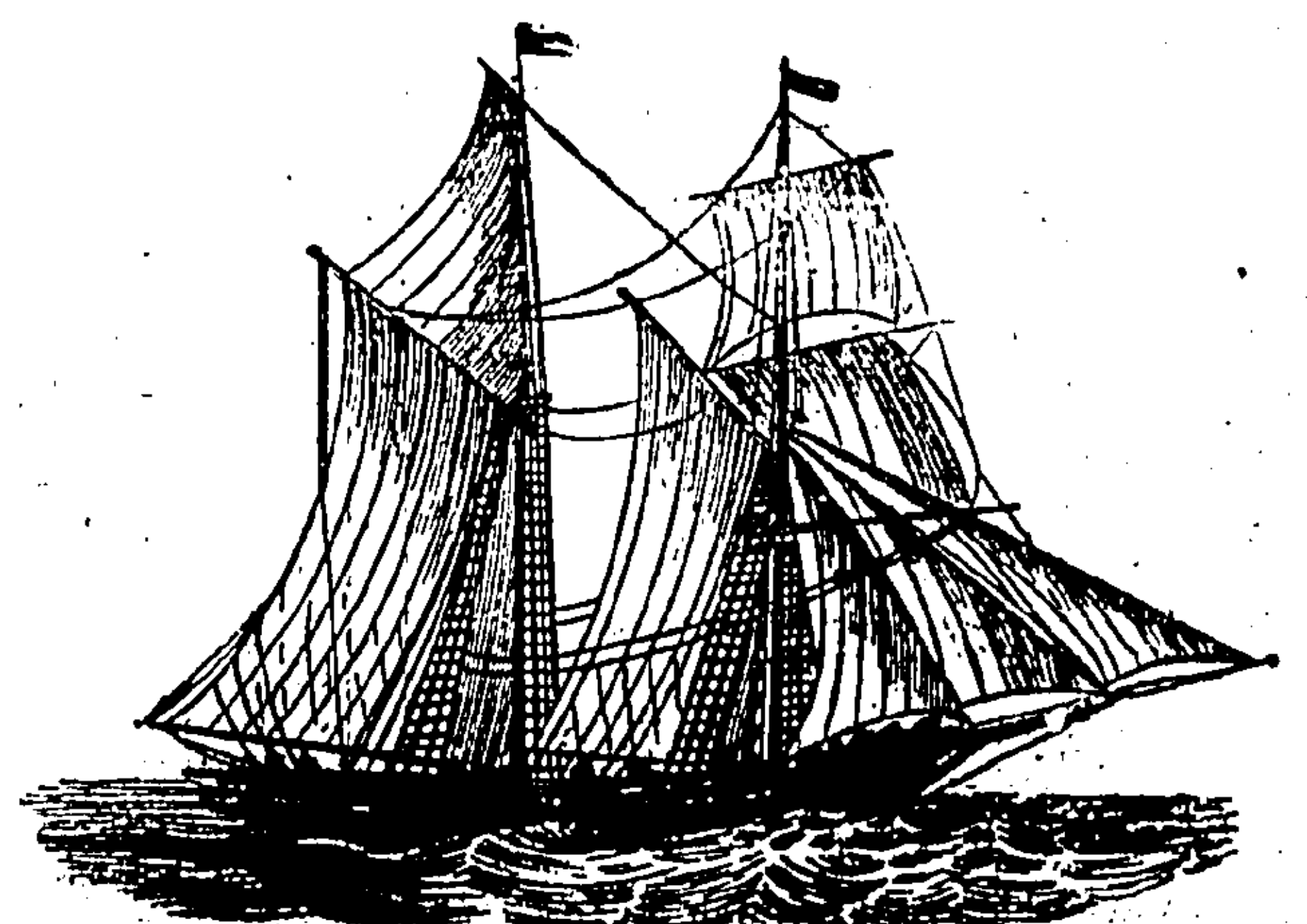
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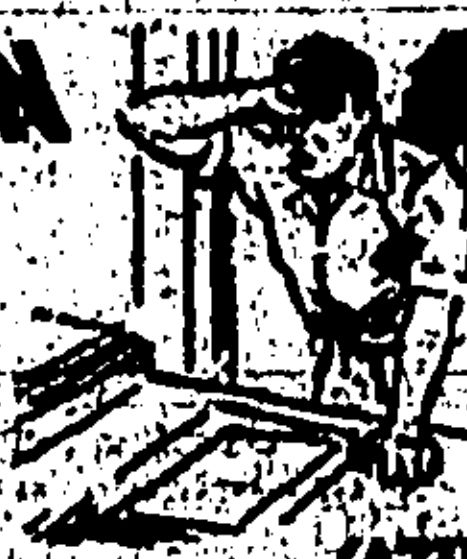
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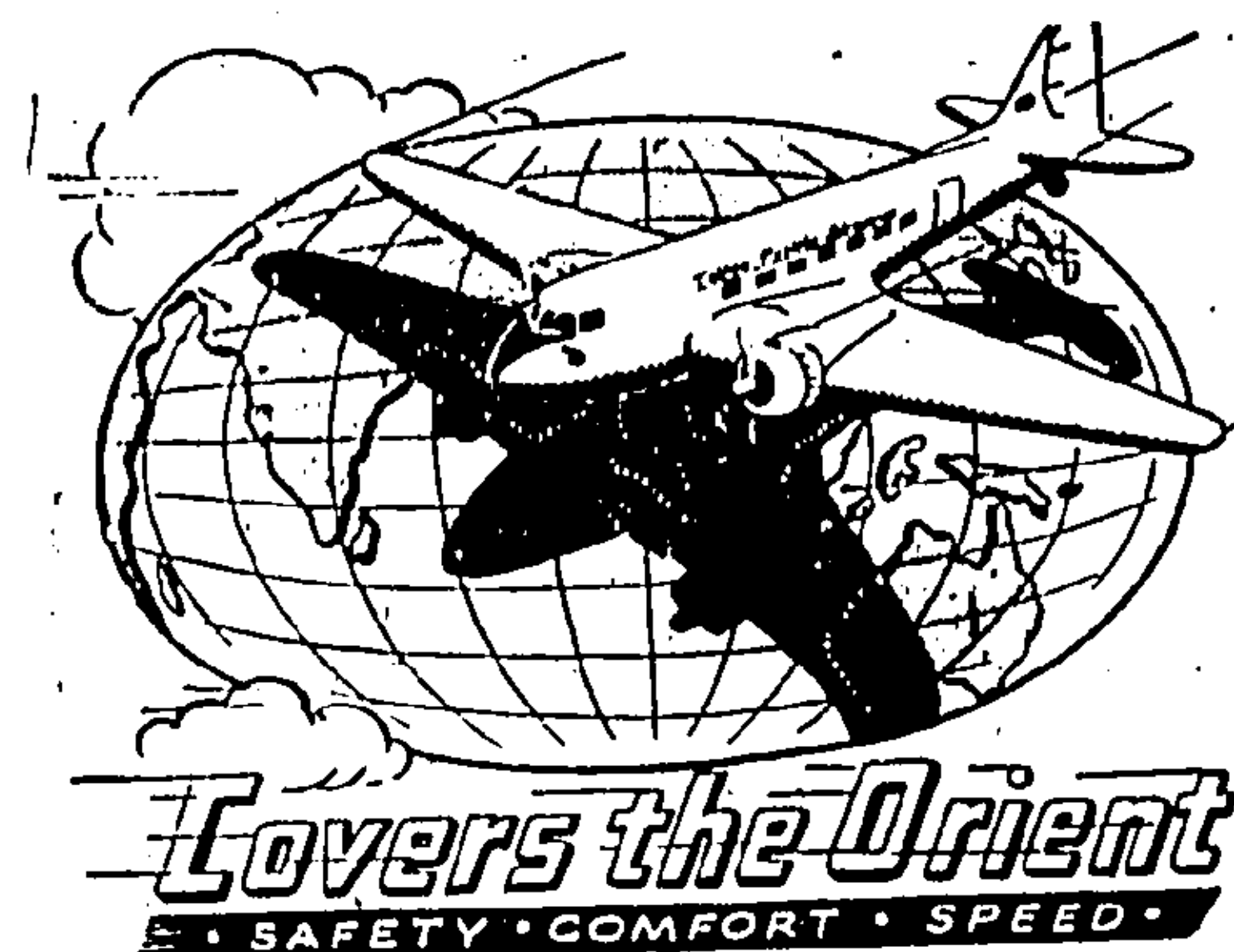
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### FUTURE OF JAPAN

Judging by the reports that come our way, there would seem to be growing anxiety in America, as well as in other parts of the world, about the future of Japan. This in spite of the high prestige ballyhoo which has surrounded MacArthur and his administration.

The Nipponese population is now 81,000,000, more than half that of the United States, and it is crammed into a small country, only one-sixth of which is arable. By 1970 there may be nearly 100,000,000—a figure which may delight the militarists who are planning anew for world domination, but stands as a danger signal to everyone else.

MacArthur himself accepts the view that population pressure, more than any other cause, impelled Japan to aggression. Now the country is in a much more difficult economic position than it was in pre-war years. Some Americans have seen the only hope in the spread of birth control, and have of course been denounced by the Vatican.

Cool consideration of the problem is difficult because of illusions about the effects of the occupation. Some Americans are apt to believe that modern Japanese history began with the arrival of their troops. The institution of the MacArthur regime began a new era of "democratisation." But the extent of the change is not as great or as deep as some Americans suppose. A comparative study of effects of occupation in Japan and Germany would be instructive.

It is true that in Japan there have been radical reforms, but it is hard to discover any fundamental differences from the old days that cannot be attributed to impoverishment and weakness. If the nation does build up its economic strength again, will it act differently from the way it acted in the past? The general's oft-repeated belief in the nation's spiritual metamorphosis must make many Japanese laugh.

The problem is made more complicated by the interest the Chinese Communists are showing in it. Mao Tse-tung demands an early treaty with Japan, and the ending of the Allied occupation. Reds in Tokyo and elsewhere are suggesting to businessmen that they can arrange an economic accommodation with that indispensable partner, China. There has been a wave of strikes, and one does not have to look far for the instigators. Russia still holds a large number of Japanese prisoners, and is sending back gradually those on whom it feels it can rely.

The question of a peace treaty seems as far away as ever, in view of all the difficulties. To whom, for example, should Taiwan be made over? In a treaty, America would presumably demand bases from Japan. It would be interesting to see whether this would exacerbate Nipponese nationalism and tilt its sympathies towards Russia, or whether Japan is so much afraid of Moscow as to welcome tacitly the continuation of a U.S. garrison.

The star of British aviation is rising, and the next five years will see the United Kingdom jump into world supremacy both in military and commercial aircraft design.

During the war Winston Churchill agreed with the U.S. not to build transport planes but to concentrate on Bombers and Fighters. America undertook to supply all the Allies with their needs in transport aircraft.

She kept her word by constructing 12,000 DC-3 air liners—strengthened for cargo-carrying and known in military parlance as C-47s.

She built 1,200 of the DC-4 type—known as "Skymasters" in their commercial version and as C-54s in military transport.

Without this we should never have advanced as fast as we did; they held all the Pacific island campaign together and rendered similar yeoman service in North Africa Italy and France.

Conversely it was the lack of a galaxy of suitable transport planes which was one of the principal causes of the Japanese defeat. And we have all seen how these transport planes won the battle of the "Bersin Airlift" against the Russian plot to starve 2,500,000 Germans in West Berlin into acceptance of Communism in return for Russian rations.

America thus kept her word to England, England on the other hand did the same. She never

# BRILLIANT FUTURE FOR BRITISH AVIATION

By WILLIAM COURTENAY

(The writer, who is aviation editor of the London "Daily Graphic," has travelled all over the world on a large variety of planes. He first learned to fly with the Royal Flying Corps in 1917, and has an intimate knowledge of British military and civil aviation based on 32 years' experience.)

diverted even a small team of design experts to the study of post-war air liners. Everything was concentrated on production of strategic and tactical planes.

It inevitably followed that when the war closed Britain was almost entirely dependent upon American transport planes for the rehabilitation of her commercial aviation.

America on the other hand was in a favourable position to convert hundreds of the C-54s into "Skymasters" and sell them to the world over to hungry airline operators, and recondition thousands of the C-47s back into DC-3s for the same purpose.

### Little Difference

The modern transport plane does not differ very much from the air liner because it is not armed and conversion is largely a matter of engines and push-linings, sound proofing etc.

Moreover the Douglas Corporation was able to design the DC-8 from the DC-4, and by 1948 it entered the world markets. The Lockheed Corporation had designed the "Constellation" in 1940 and work proceeded on it through 1941 onwards so that it was ready for airline operators—

especially on the Atlantic route—by 1945. And Boeing—builders of the famed B-29 superfortress—designed the "Stratocruiser" from this type by joining largely two of these mighty fuselages together in a "double bubble" or figure eight shape.

These three air liners have flown their way into the world's markets and dominate the skies of the commercial routes with the DC-3. They will continue to do so until about 1953.

England made do with converted "Lancasters" into "Lancetrans"; converted flying boats; and planned the "Tudor" based on a wartime bomber. Meanwhile, in 1945 Lord Brabazon of Tara headed the Brabazon Committee to design nine new types which would place us in the lead by 1953-55.

De Havilland's apart from this, designed the little twin engine "Dove"—a small economical eight to 12 seater air liner suitable for executives or wealthy private owners and commercial owners. They sold more than 300, worth £6,000,000 to date and this was the beginning of Britain's march back. Vickers designed the twin engine "Viking"—100 m.p.h., faster than the DC-3 and holding a few more people. British European Airways use them on all European routes and more than 200 were sold in world markets.

But for the Atlantic and Empire routes we concentrated on three promising types. Most ambitious of all was the De Havilland "Comet" which is the world's first jet air liner. Designed to carry 36 passengers at 500 m.p.h. at 40,000 ft it will cross the Atlantic in seven hours of nonstop flight between London and New York. To the Westbound traveler it will seem like a two hour trip because he gains five hours in the clock over Greenwich!

He will be able to transit business in his London Office in the morning; fly at 1 p.m. to New York; lunch on board; and arrive there at 3 p.m. (local time New York) ready to keep business appointments there during the afternoon. He would be able to fly back through the night and be at his office desk again 9 a.m. next morning as if he had merely taken an afternoon off for golf 20 miles away!

### Ends Maiden Flight

This is the certain promise for 1952/3 by which the "Comet" will be in regular service. The first "Comet" has just completed its maiden flight and has proved capable of rising to 30,000 ft and of flying far in excess of 450 m.p.h. without effort.

Tests will occupy a year or more; the "Comet" will be tried on Empire routes & to test fuel range—the big problem for jet planes—and Hong Kong could be reached in 17 or 18 hours from London including one fuelling halt. In fact by 1951 you will see this attempted.

Britain's lead in jet engines—a lead of three years over all rivals—places this machine in the van and American airline operators will be purchasing it by 1952.

The Bristol "Brabazon": a giant weighing more than 300,000 lbs; with a wing span of 220 ft and with eight propeller engines, and able to fly at 350 m.p.h. with 5,000 miles fuel range carrying 85 to 100 passengers will be flying before the year end. I have watched it grow and am certain it is a winner. The first one will be used purely as a flying laboratory using "Centaurus" engines and cruising at 250 m.p.h. Fourteen "Comets" are on order for BOAC, and three or four "Brabazons" are being built.

The Empire routes will be especially interested in the 300,000 lbs "Princess" class flying boat which "Saunders-Roe" are constructing under the able guidance of Sir Arthur Gouge, who designed the "Short" Empire and other boats. First hull has been launched; this 10-engine propelled flying boat will also fly 5,000 miles nonstop at 350 m.p.h. with up to 100 passengers.

By 1953 these should be ready and up to 10 may be ordered for the South Atlantic route alone. BOAC are certain to use them on the route to Hong Kong and Australia and by 1955 at latest all these three types should be in full service dominating the skies on the world's air routes. In fact by 1953 if all goes well they should commence regular operations.

BOAC are wisely conservative and will not rush a new type into service however promising however urgent the need; and however tempting. Each type will be given two years of thorough tests before passengers pay fares. England is not neglecting the

Helicopter: Both the Fairey Aviation Co and the Bristol Aeroplane Co have built and flown promising three/four-seater. The 10 seater is under design and the 36-seater—the ideal for short hauls—is coming along. In about seven years' time all Britain's internal air routes; all short haul runs including London-Paris, London-Birmingham, etc., will be by Helicopter. Even the 100 m.p.h. version beats the 300 m.p.h. air liner when terminal delay is taken into account.

### Ideal For HK

For Hong Kong it will be an ideal conveyance linking the island with Kowloon.

In the military field England was the first of the Allies and indeed the only one to produce jet fighters before the close of the war. The twin-engine Gloster "Fleetster" flew at 470 m.p.h. and is now with RAF squadrons flying with full war load at 600 m.p.h. No other country has anything to touch it except of course that the new U.S. plane, the F-8—when I saw flying at the National Air Races at Cleveland last September—touches around 700 m.p.h. with full war-load.

Britain's new swept-back wing jet fighters will exceed this and by 1952/3 when in service our Interceptor Squadrons will be flying as fast as the speed of sound which is 740 m.p.h. at sea level and 600 m.p.h. at 30,000 ft. They will be designed for flights at high altitude.

We have also built an all-jet flying boat fighter which passed all its test two years ago, had a large production order been given to Saunders-Roe then Hong Kong would have possessed a fleet of these operating from her waters; able to intercept anything which might fly over against her. It would have solved her problem of lack of airstrips. It flies at more than 500 m.p.h. and designed towards close of the war for jungle warfare for operating from harbours and river estuaries at the Pacific campaigns.

In the bomber field we have wisely marked time; making do with Lancasters and Lincolns and Mosquitos—last of the piston engined strategic weapons of the RAF.

### Jet Bombers

Designs for the jet-engined bomber went forward more than two years ago; larger ones are on the way and by 1955 the RAF should possess a fleet of all jet bombers capable of flying 4,000 miles nonstop with useful loads and at speeds in the 600 to 650 m.p.h. class.

Range is the big problem for the jet engine and we are quietly experimenting with it. By the time our big jet bombers are ready range will give the RAF the 2,000 miles cruising radius which it operationally requires for all flights into Eastern Europe from British airfields.

Thus between 1953/55 the long range plans of the War Government and present one in London will mature; and by this wise foresight and long-range planning we shall see England firmly in the lead, for where jet engines are concerned we shall be able to maintain our lead over all other countries.



When Japan goes on the ramp again we won't have far to look for the seaport.

Even though the Soviet radio says the Council of Europe is composed of "political half-corpses" there is still a vital Spain in it.

Australian statistics show there are not enough husbands to go round.  
A lass and a lack!

"Harbour Booms."  
Oh, gosh. Maybe my sampan shares will go up.

"Thirteen criminally insane convicts staged a mass break-out. Pure carelessness. I can think of more than one similar instance."

"Tibetan Issue. Not Much Success."  
Like Tibetan lit?

A correspondent received an envelope from the income tax office with nothing in it. He thinks it must be the rebate he applied for.

Europe's prolific birth rate has already made up 50 per cent of the 15,000,000 who died in the war.  
Give us another four years and we'll be all set to go again.

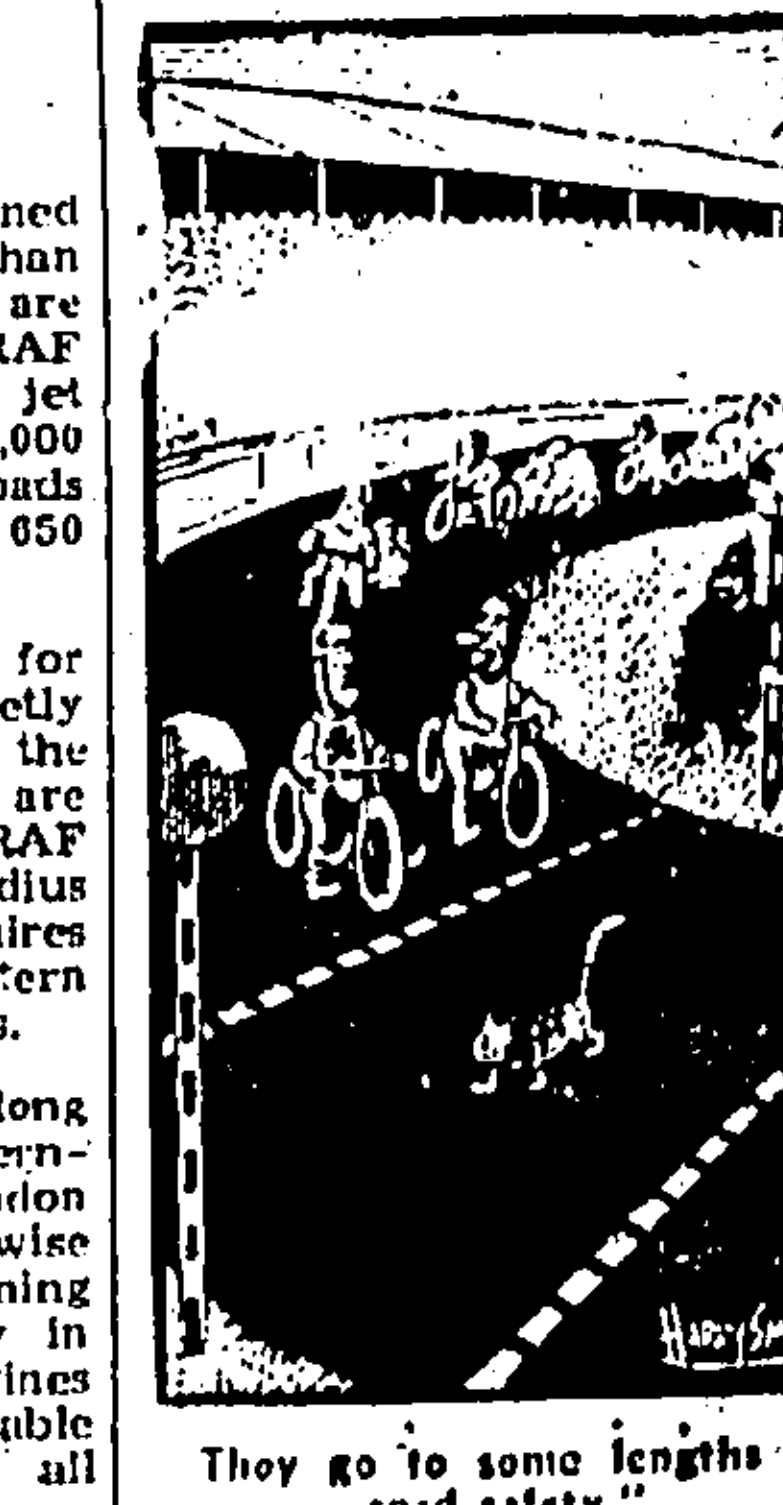
The body of a Hebrew patriot who died 50 years ago is to be brought to Jerusalem. Well, it was Jew to him.

"Glimpses of rare birds."  
Must have been watching passengers disembark from the Wusueh.

So the KMT has finally abandoned its idea of asking the Big Three for US\$10,000,000,000 to help the war effort. No one can be surprised. After all, it was rather like asking the Pearl River pirates to subsidise the local shipping companies.

Doctors say a dog's capacity for handling alcohol is about the same as that of a man.  
Oh, well, there's something in a hair of the dog....

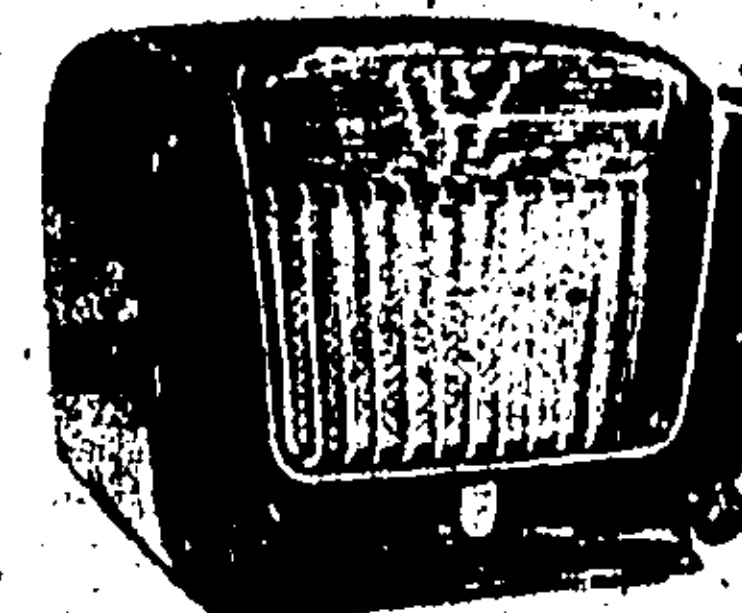
The headmaster of one of Britain's free-discipline schools is organising a school children's union. It will have tuck-shop stewards.



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# TITO'S DEATH DEMANDED BY "PRAVDA" AS BALKAN RIFT WIDENING

Belgrade, August 22.

Moscow today published a demand for Marshal Tito's death as the Russo-Yugoslav rift steadily widened. The Yugoslav press struck at the Soviet with a charge of espionage.

The press of the two countries traded blows after the two governments exchanged bluntly-worded notes over the week-end.

The Soviet note, delivered on Saturday, threatened effective measures to protect Soviet citizens in Yugoslavia. The Yugoslav note, published yesterday, accused the Russians of double-crossing Marshal Tito in his dispute with Austria.

## GREATEST FORCES FOR PEACE

Washington, August 22.

General Carl Spaatz, former Air Force chief, said today that the atomic bomb and B-36 bomber in American hands are the greatest forces for peace in the world.

General Spaatz told the House Armed Services Committee that the United States at present was fairly safe from attack by an aggressor and would remain safe until Russia developed her own atomic bomb and inter-continental bombers to deliver them.

The veteran officer, now retired and writing on military subjects, went before the Committee and denied rumors of atomophobia in Air Force planning.

General Spaatz dealt at length on the strategic concept of air power. He said the United States must build up Western Europe's military strength while Russia still did not have the atom bomb and inter-continental bombers.

"Until that time, the inter-continental bomber and atom bomb in the possession of the United States are the greatest forces for peace in the world," he added. "Unless an aggressor can develop weapons as techniques at least equal to ours, he will not start war."

He strongly urged Congress to go ahead with plans for a new air force despite President Truman's "economy" request for a ceiling of 48 groups.

The Committee chairman, Representative Carl Vinson, asked if lack of a 70-group air force would imperil the country. General Spaatz replied: "In my opinion it does. I think our potential enemy is just waiting until we are weak enough to hit us."—United Press.

## Burma Troops Recapture Town

Rangoon, August 22.

The Burma Army Radio reported tonight that Burmese Government troops have recaptured the town of Nyaung-U, in the Central Burmese district of Myingyan, from Communist insurgents.

In Upper Burma, about 60 insurgents were killed in mopping up operations, the Radio said.

In the Irrawaddy Delta district of Bassein, West of Rangoon, pro-Government guerrillas occupied Nyaung-U, which were held by insurgent Karen forces.

The Radio also reported fighting in progress at Thunggyi, capital of the Southern Shan States, where Government and Shan troops have encircled the city.

The broadcast estimated Karen casualties in this area at more than 100.—Reuter.

The Moscow newspaper "Pravda," organ of the Russian Communist Party, published a three-column article signed by Anastas Mikoyin, secretary of the Albanian Communist Party.

The article reviewed the trial and execution of a band of "traitors," headed by Kochi Dzedza, identified as Tito agents, in Albania.

"However much the nationalist band of Tito, Rankovic and Dylas rage and storm in Belgrade, whatever satanic methods they employ, they, like Dzedza, sooner or later must stand trial before the people and pay with their heads for crimes committed against the camp of Socialism and proletarian internationalism."

Tito as Prime Minister of Yugoslavia, Edward Kardelj Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister and Milovan Djilas, Minister without Portfolio. All were read out of the Cominform last year for refusing to take orders from Moscow.

### A Poor Risk

After a week-end of alarm over a possible Soviet invasion, most observers concluded today that the harsh Soviet note to Yugoslavia was aimed at discouraging Western economic and financial aid to the Yugoslavs.

Informants said Moscow would like to create the impression that the Tito government was a poor risk.

The Soviet note of August 18 promised more effective measures to assist Tito unless he stopped harassing Soviet citizens, and many Western observers, alarmed by Yugoslav claims of a threat of invasion.

But today, most responsible Western sources here believed the note was outright propaganda, aimed as much at the West as at Yugoslavia.

Yugoslavia is almost bankrupt. Many new factories are still empty because machines to come from Communist countries never arrived. But by the end of this year, relief should be on its way from the West.

Despite the August 18 note, there was still no reason to believe the Russians were planning invasion by the Red Army of troops of the Cominform countries. An aggressive step might plunge Europe and the world into a new war and the Kremlin has not given any indication that it is prepared to do so at this time.

### Increasing Pressure

Responsible quarters emphasized, however, that the Russians were increasing pressure. In addition to a trade blockade, vitriolic denunciation and every possible discrimination against Yugoslav citizens, there have been reports lately of more widespread, more serious and more organized sabotage.

Unconfirmed reports insist that the Soviet Embassy here recently directed an unsuccessful attempt to destroy the Juhlania Hurtox electric plant in Bosnia, one of the largest and most important projects built by the Communist government.

In addition, there have been three train wrecks and firing of a ship in the Dalmatian coastal area in the past month.—United Press.

## TOMMIES' RESCUE IN VIENNA

Vienna, August 22.

Unarmed British police formed a cordon round a Soviet jeep to prevent armed Russian soldiers from carrying off an Austrian civilian here this afternoon, the British police stated.

British soldiers, fully armed, were later brought from a neighbouring barracks to protect Russian officers threatened by a crowd of Austrians, British sources added.

According to the British police report, the armed uniformed Russians, including a colonel, who were riding in the jeep, stopped on the Rhodolphi Bridge, in the British sector, to ask the way.

The Austrian civilian then jumped through a window of the vehicle screaming, "I am being kidnapped!"

When he tried to escape the Russians chased him and struck him on the head with a gun, the report said.

An Austrian driver, seeing the incident, drove his truck across the road to stop the jeep.

### Abuse And Stones

A crowd of Austrians gathered, shouting abuse and throwing stones at the Russians. Twenty unarmed British military police, returning from a route march, formed a cordon round the jeep.

They prevented the crowd from attacking the Russians and rescued the civilian, Dr. Karl Sander, who is suffering severe head wounds.

The Russians had taken down Dr. Sander's pants to prevent his getting away, according to reports from British sources.

A detachment of British troops was brought from Melting Barracks, near by, to protect the Russians from the crowd, these sources added.

Several Austrian cars formed up around the Russians' jeep to prevent its escape, while a Viennese crawling beneath the vehicle, slit the jeep's tyres.

The Russians were able to leave after the British troops arrived.—Reuter.

## To Reduce Sentences

London, August 22.

Britain has agreed to the reduction of sentences passed by British military courts in Italy for war criminals to harmonise them with Italian amnesty and remission practices, the Foreign Office announced here today.

These men were sentenced by British military courts in Italy for offences involving British nationals and were turned over to serve their sentences under the Italian authorities.

Italy recently drew the British Government's attention to the fact that the prisoners had remained outside the scope of recent amnesty and remission measures taken by the Italian authorities.

It was understood that the cases affected did not include any major offenders.—Reuter.



MARSHAL TITO His Death Demanded

## Plea For Aid Plan Adoption

Miami, August 22.

President Truman made a whirlwind visit to the National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars with a new and urgent plea for the adoption of his foreign arms aid programme as part of the price for peace.

Although the President spoke directly to the Golden Jubilee meeting of the VFW, his message was aimed primarily at the Senate which is about to consider the arms programme that was backed in half by the House last week.

Asking that the military assistance programme be put into effect without delay, the Chief Executive admitted that the cost of such a programme is considerable but it represents an investment in security that will be worth many times its cost. It is part of the price for peace. Peace with freedom and justice cannot be bought cheaply.

President Truman's visit here set a new record for brevity and speed for Presidential trips. He flew from Washington this morning and remained in Miami only long enough to deliver a 15-minute address.

About 7,500 delegates and families gave the President a rousing reception when he strode to the platform. With him on the platform were his armed service aides, including Major General Harry Vaughan, central figure in the "live per center" investigation by the Senate subcommittee.

### Attacks False Thesis

Aside from the emphasis on the need for the military assistance programme, the President attacked his oft-repeated theme, "Soviet Russia is blocking the road to world peace." He delivered the speech in a strong voice that grew stern when he first attacked the false thesis that Communism would satisfy the universal desire for better life. He declared that Communism lures men by false promises back to tyranny and slavery and more and more people all over the world are learning that fact.

He was interrupted by loud applause when he said the principles of the United Nations are still the goal the United States is determined to preserve.

President Truman was cheered again when he said the basic principle underlying the North Atlantic pact was that an armed attack on one member nation is an attack on all.

After the address, the National Commander, Lyall Beggs presented President Truman with a gold medal, the highest VFW award, and a certificate of merit for his efforts in the preservation of world peace. The President said, "I hope I can continue working toward the preservation of peace. I am sure we all can."—United Press.

## YUGOSLAVIA TO DEFY RUSSIA LONDON OPINES

London, August 22.

British officials predicted today that Yugoslavia would defy Russia's sharp threat of effective action to defend its captive citizens in Yugoslavia.

They ruled out the likelihood that the Moscow-Belgrade dispute would lead to a shooting war despite mounting tension inside Yugoslavia. These views apparently were based on a long dispatch cabled to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin today by Sir Charles Peake, the British Ambassador to Belgrade.

Sir Charles and Mr. Cavendish Cannon, the American Ambassador called on the Deputy Foreign Minister Mr. Ales Bobler, at the Yugoslav Foreign Ministry on Sunday. Mr. Bobler had invited them.

A Foreign Office spokesman told a daily news conference today that the Peake-Bobler discussion was about the late Russian note to Yugoslavia. He refused to give any details.

Russia has accused Yugoslavia of "inhumanly" persecuting Soviet nationals. A note delivered last Thursday and published over the week-end in plain terms on Yugoslav Communist "loyal to Marxist-Leninism" to Marshal Tito and his government.

### Sympathetic?

There are about 12,000 White Russians living in Yugoslavia. Nearly half, according to Russia, are sympathetic to the present Soviet regime. Yugoslavia claims that many of these Russians are spies.

The British officials said that the tough tone of Russia's latest note was part of the war of nerves which the Communists have been waging against the Tito regime ever since they expelled it from the Communist Organisation last year.

The Russians, according to these officials, wanted Yugoslavia to think that it is in danger of being attacked. But, they said, that appeared to be bluff.

The Foreign Office spokesman refused to say whether any assurances had been asked for or given when Sir Charles Peake conferred with Bobler.

Nor would he say whether the issue was likely to be raised in the UN Security Council as a possible threat to peace. That was a question for the Yugoslavs to answer, he declared.

The British are in consultation with the United States on the whole subject of Western relations with the Tito regime.—Associated Press.

## Visitors To Festival Feted

Edinburgh, August 22.

Edinburgh festival of music and drama were entertained to try at Ashcroft, home of St. Walter Scott.

They were welcomed by the famed novelist's descendant, Major-General Sir Walter Maxwell Scott, and his two daughters, Miss Boulton Maxwell Scott, and Miss Jean Maxwell Scott.

Customs inspection at London of the baggage brought by the Les Ballets des Champs Elysees by air from Paris was so thorough that it nearly delayed the company's participation in the festival.—Reuter.

## YUGOSLAV PAPER'S COMMENT

London, August 22.

Marshal Tito's semi-official newspaper "Politika" said today that the Soviet Union would have to renounce its incorrect foreign policy if it wanted Yugoslavia for a friend. The editorial was distributed in London by Tanjug, the official Yugoslav news agency.

Referring to the recent exchange of notes between Russia and Yugoslavia, the newspaper said that Russian charges contained in the notes to the effect that Tito is a Fascist and is mistreating Soviet citizens, do not represent anything new in the Tito-Communist feud.

"On the contrary," said "Politika," "both these (Russian) notes once again confirm the hostility of the Soviet Government towards the Socialist construction of our country."

The newspaper, which is the official organ of the Yugoslav "Peoples Front" and voices official opinion, said that the "Communist heroes—do not even refrain from the most ordinary Fascist methods."

The Russian notes, the editorial declared, were two successful attempts to distort the truth.—Associated Press.

## Bevin, Cripps To Sail In Mauretania

London, August 22.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin will sail for New York with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, on the liner Mauretania on August 31, to represent Britain at the Washington dollar-sterling crisis talks with the United States and Canada, it was learned tonight.

Sir Stafford's decision to sail in the Mauretania instead of the Queen Elizabeth, which leaves next Saturday, will delay the opening of the talks by one day—until September 7.

Accompanying Mr. Bevin will be the British delegation's Foreign Office element, the names of whom were learned tonight.

They will be Sir Roger Makins, Deputy Under-Secretary of State and Mr. Bevin's senior adviser on economic affairs, Mr. Roderick Barclay, the Foreign Secretary's principal private secretary, and Mr. Edward Tomkins, his Assistant Private Secretary.—Reuter.

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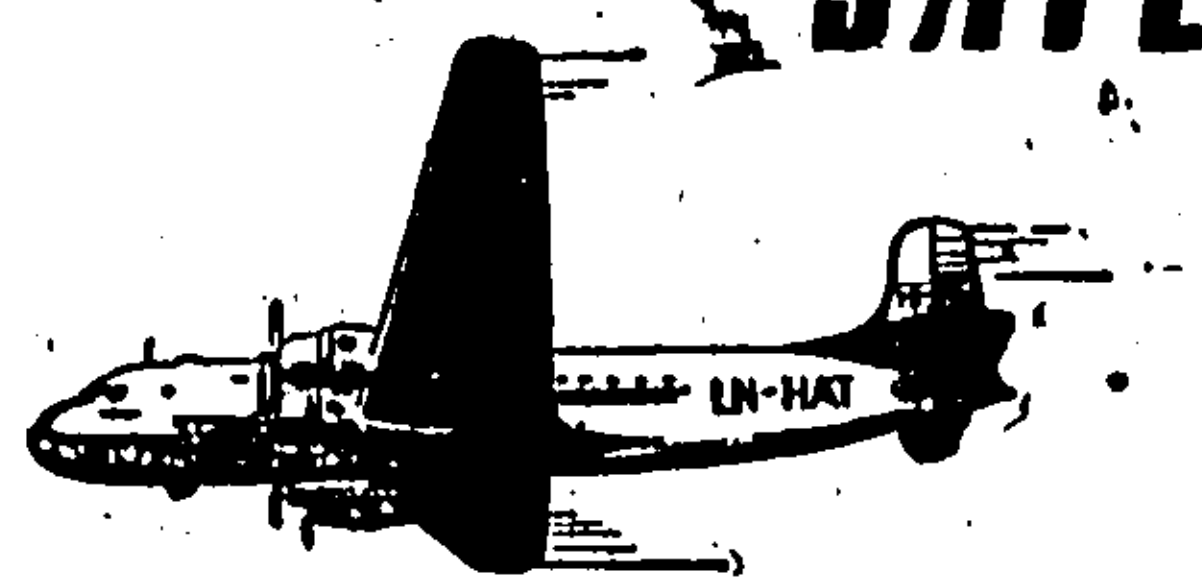
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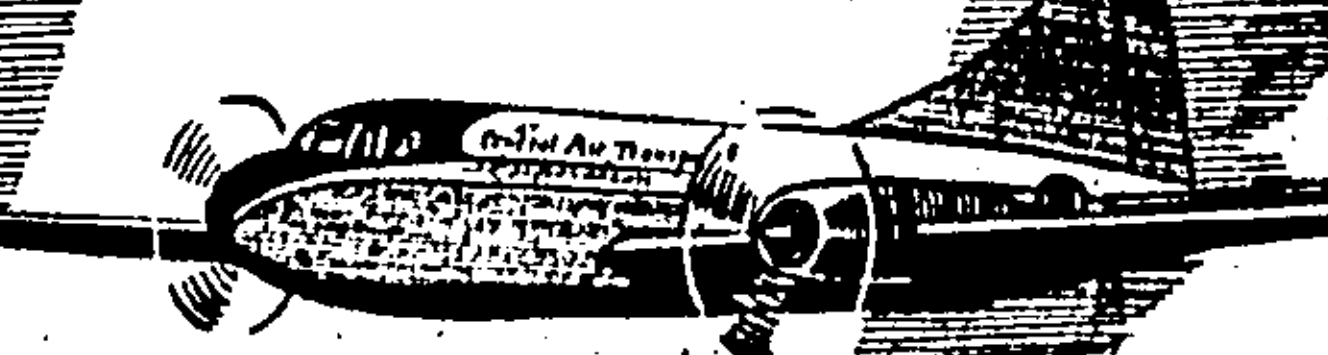
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There is little use in pointing out again how nylon washes, shakes out, holds its shape, and needs no pressing. Even stressing how quickly it dries so that you can put it on inside an hour with all its finest pleats and pleasurable in perfect condition, seems repetitious.

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One of America's fine firms, established by a woman's enterprise, was founded on its unique construction of a short, close-fitting front and adequate back length. Today this preoccupation with comfortable fit now extends to slips, combinations, panties, and the graceful gowns this firm designated so appropriately as "Restward."

#### Two-Piece Nightgowns

And, of course, tops in this group are the nylons. One "Dream" gown in a nylon sheer is trimmed with embroidered nylon organza, daisies, its cambric sole top and braided—shoulder strap—outlined with them, lightly. A set composed of slip and gown is made in nylon tricot, its yoke of marquisette—embroidered in dainty pink rosebuds, outlined by a crisp, narrow-nylon ruche.

For an ensemble, if you like to have your things match you might choose an unusual two-piece gown, a slip, petticoat, and pantie.

The petticoat flirts a nylon ruffle, the slip graces your figure

with its nylon net bodice, while the off-shoulder neckline of the gown is rimmed with nylon net medallions. Colours have been snatched straight from the palest make-believe rainbow.

#### Lingerie For Teen Ageds

Cartier's, besides making beautiful lingerie for women, and slim sweet things for juniors, comes also now to the rescue of the often-forgotten teens—the "twixt."

By **BARBARA E. SCOTT FISHER**

and between us who used to be known for their long arms and legs that moved with such un-easy candour.

Cartier's line of teen age lingerie was launched with seven garments early in the spring.

Now nine exciting new items have been added in nightgowns, pyjamas, slips, and pants—all sized from 10 through 16. There is a flutter over the trim little pyjama with its petal-flower yoke, tiny Mandarin type collar, arm-bugging puffed sleeves, and the ballooning fullness of the tunic. Pants are anchored with elastic at the waist, yet still allow plenty of room.

#### No-Run And Quilted Fabrics

The gown, designed in the same fresh colours—turquoise, mimosa, and cherry blossom pink—has its low round neck finished with a touch of machine smocking, puffed sleeves and a swishing skirt.

Made of no-run rayon knit, this lingerie appeals to the teen age budget as well as the teen age eye besides being easy to care for.

A trace of Oriental fantasy appears in the Junior collection—nine to 15 made by the same firm. You catch it in a quilted coat of flared mid-thigh length, with pedal pushers to match, that give somewhat the impression of Americanised coolie pants.

The coat, navy lined with lime or cloud-blue with a cherry lining, has long sleeves, a lily-like collar which flares away from the throat, and two capacious pockets. Pyjamas in the same colours with trim pants, or

## RECIPES

2 lb. round steak, 2 potatoes, 1 onion, salt and pepper, 8oz. flour, 1 level teaspoon baking powder, pinch salt, 4oz. shortening, 4 tablespoons water, squeeze lemon juice.

Remove the fat from the meat and cut the meat into very small dice. Peel the potatoes and onion, cut into dice and add to the meat with the salt and pepper. Sift the flour, baking powder and salt into a bowl, rub in the shortening until the mixture looks like breadcrumbs. Add sufficient water with the lemon juice to make into a dry dough. Turn out on to a floured board, knead lightly. Cut into pieces. Roll each portion out thinly into a round shape. Place a saucer on top and cut sharply round the edge. Brush lightly round the edge of each circle with water, place a little filling in the centre and fold over. Pinch the edges together to make a frill and work with the hands into a half moon shape with the frill on top. Brush over with a little milk and place on greased flat tin. Bake in a hot oven, temp. 425 deg. F. gas, 475 deg. F. electric, for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to temp. 350 gas, 400 electric, and cook a further 20 minutes.

#### Figure-Proportioned Slips

In more sophisticated mood the lingerie designed by Najla specializes in odd colours and intricate monogramming. Cut-out initials in lace and nets, and in tailored appliques enhance waupes, Magnolia, honey beige, and the biting vibrant nasturtium colours, not forgetting black, move dramatically in the silhouette—positive as a perfume.

Slips made to figure proportions give us something new. Done in 21 sizes by Seamprufe this accomplishment arrests the attention. The proportions are based on three general figure types and within each of these are three height groups of seven sizes allowing for figure variations. Surely something here to fit anybody!

These are made of Bur Mil multifilament crepe in white, pink, black, or navy, trimmed top and bottom with Alencon-type lace.

Much interest is shown in the first crepe nylon which is making its debut in lingerie.

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## Serious Labour Strife Threat In U.S. Industries

Washington, August 22.

The Government today gave the first signs of alarm over possibly serious labour strife in the steel, coal, car and other industries.

The Federal Mediation Director, Mr. Cyrus Ching, rejected an appeal to go to Honolulu to intervene personally in the 115-day-old strike by Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. He said, "Pressure of several pending matters here makes it impossible for me to go to the islands at this time."

One pending matter is the threat of a strike by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, which is expected to start on September 1. The union has a membership of 125,000 and is one of the largest in the country.

Ching and his staff were looking for a way to break the deadlock in the steel industry. The United Steelworkers of America, which has a membership of 1,200,000, is in a dispute with the industry over wages and working conditions.

### Showdown Stage

All three explosive major disputes are approaching the showdown stage. The steel companies today completed their case against wages and pensions before Mr. Ching's fact-finding board in New York.

The demand for a general wage increase and company-financed insurance and pension plans. The United Steelworkers also demand a 10% wage increase and a 10% pension plan. The companies are offering a 5% wage increase and a 5% pension plan. The union is demanding a 10% wage increase and a 10% pension plan. The companies are offering a 5% wage increase and a 5% pension plan. The union is demanding a 10% wage increase and a 10% pension plan.

## UN May Take Over Holy Land Issue

London, August 22.

Mr. Paul A. Porter, United States member of the United Nations' Palestine Conciliation Commission may recommend tomorrow that the Palestine Conciliation Commission talks here be wound up and the whole Palestine problem turned over to the United Nations General Assembly.

A meeting between Mr. Porter and his two colleagues on the Commission, M. Claude de Boisanger of France and Mr. Cahit Velde of Turkey, is due to take place tomorrow with the Arab and Jewish delegations here.

Mr. Porter returned here today from 10 days of high level consultations in Washington, New York and Paris.

### Concerted Effect

He declined to comment on the nature of these talks but his mission is expected to have a crucial effect on the Palestine negotiations. So far these negotiations have proved inconclusive on the main problems of Arab refugees and frontiers of Israel.

Mr. Porter said he had seen everyone in Washington and New York and that one of his interviews was with Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations.

In Paris Mr. Porter conferred with his French colleague, M. de Boisanger.

A questionnaire submitted by the Commission to the Arab and Israeli delegations on the refugee and frontier problems may be returned completed this week.

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## Big Quake Shocks Recorded

Harvard, Massachusetts, August 22.

The Harvard University Seismograph Station reported today that one of the largest earthquakes in recent years occurred last night.

A seismologist said that it probably originated 100 to 200 miles off shore in the vicinity of Vancouver Island in the Pacific off Canada's West coast where an earthquake was reported last night.

It was 10 times as severe as the reported shock in Ecuador on August 22, he said. The seismologist said that it struck at 4:01 a.m. GMT. The first waves were recorded at Harvard seven minutes later, and the instruments were in continuous motion for more than six hours after that.

In New York last night the Lullwater University seismograph recorded one of the heaviest earthquake vibrations in several months about 2,300 miles South of New York city.

The seismologist said that the vibrations were so intense that the actual location was difficult to determine. The Vienna Seismograph Institute, meanwhile, recorded a strong earth tremor early this morning.

An official of the Institute said the tremor which occurred about 6,000 miles from Vienna, was registered at 0512 GMT.—Reuter and Associated Press.

## Devaluation Not On Agenda

Paris, August 22.

Mr. Eugene Black, American President of the World Bank, said today that devaluation of the sterling was not on the agenda of the Bank Governors' meeting in Washington next month.

Mr. Black, who confers with British Government officials in London tomorrow, said that he had nothing to do with the Anglo-American-Canadian financial talks in the American capital.

Today, Mr. Black conferred with the French Finance Minister, M. Maurice Petesch, about the agenda for the Bank meeting in September. He also discussed the dollar shortage problem.

The American told correspondents that most of the Bank's activities in recent months were in development rather than reconstruction. He confirmed that talks were going on with British officials about a loan of \$10,000,000 to the British Colonial Development Corporation to buy machines and equipment.

—Reuter.

## NO MARSHALL PLAN FOR ASIA

Washington, August 22.

A State Department official said today that no consideration was being given to extending a Marshall Plan to Asia.

He said that the United States felt that technical assistance under President Truman's Point Four programme for the underdeveloped areas would better meet the needs of Asian countries.

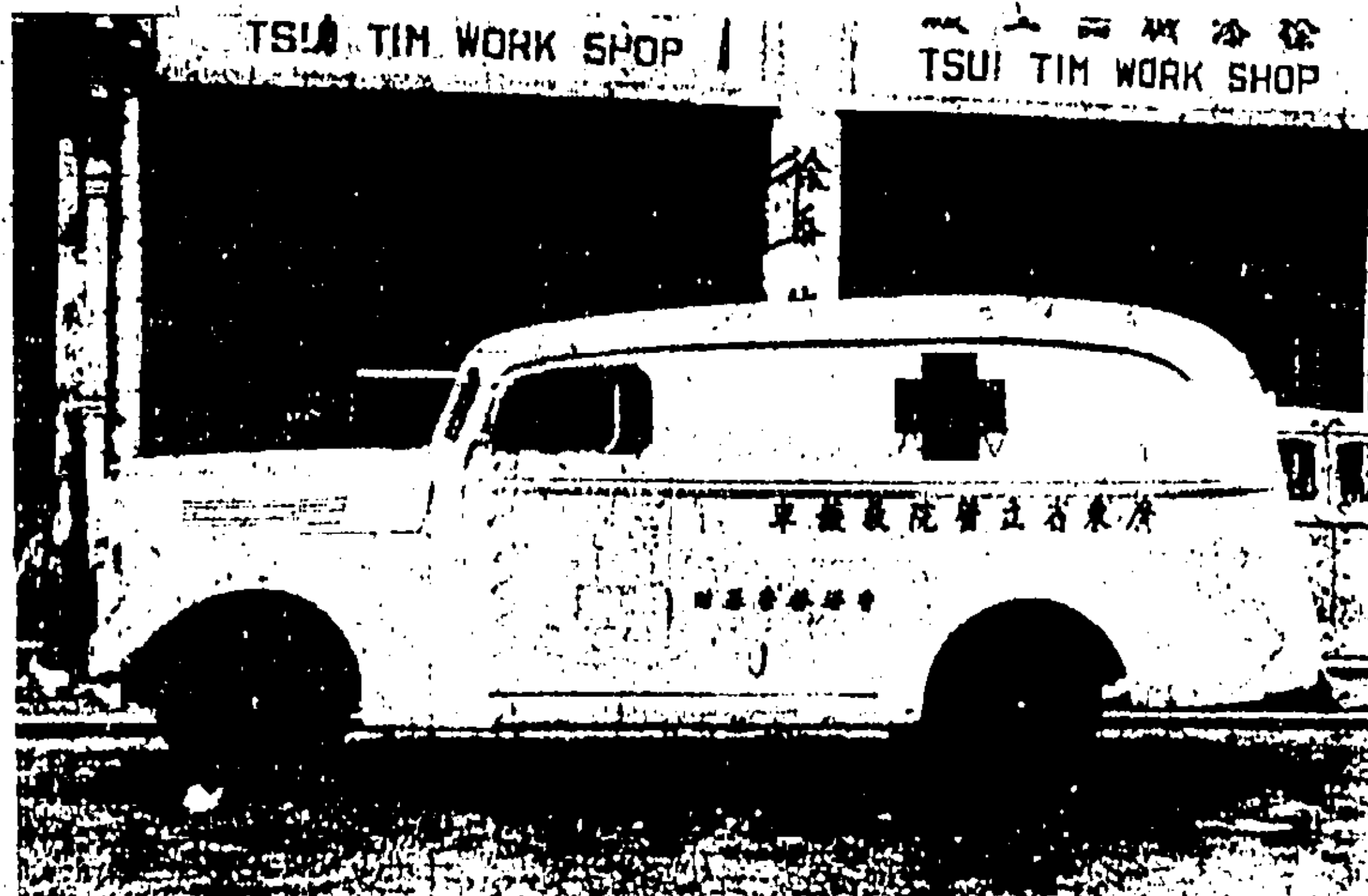
The official confirmed the recent statement in Madrid of the United States Ambassador to India, Mr. Roy Henderson, that America is greatly interested in India's prosperity and economic welfare.—Reuter.

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An ambulance for the Kwangtung Provincial Hospital donated by Mr. W. K. Lam, a prominent Hong Kong merchant. The car is to be sent to Canton within the coming days. (Francis Wu Photo)

## Taft-Hartley Labour Bill Two Years Old

Washington, August 22.

Government officials said today that the second year operations of the Taft-Hartley Act showed the power of the law to halt secondary boycotts, and mass picketing and drive labour union Communists into the open.

On the second anniversary of the labour-management relations law, Federal officials agreed that the past year's decisions by the National Labour Relations Board placed the government deeper into the regulation of internal union affairs and industrial relations than ever before.

These rulings, they said, differed sharply from the work of the Labour Board during the first year of the labour-management act. The first year's rulings dealt primarily with procedural questions such as whether union officials were required to file non-Communist affidavits and whether unions whose officers had not signed could use the board's services.

Among its decisions last year the Labour Board ruled that peaceful picketing and free speech are illegal when used in aid of secondary boycott. The courts have been sympathetic to requests for temporary injunctions to halt the boycotts.

Board sources said a large number of cases decided in the past year has shown the effectiveness of the law in curtailing boycotts.

### Closed Shop Issue

Another large group of second year decisions removed uncertainty over the legality of the ban on closed shop and the regulation of union shops and other security. For example, the Board outlawed the hiring hall of the National Maritime Union of CIO and union shop of the United Mine Workers on the ground that neither complied with the strict limits of the law.

The Board refused to define mass picketing in numbers but in a series of decisions it spelled out the kind of coercive picket line conduct which the law aimed to prevent.

It said it is up to the local police authorities to decide how many persons may legally walk a picket line. In the same set the responsibility of local and of cases the Board established international unions for activities of their officers and agents whether or not they acted under orders.

The non-Communist affidavit requirement, bitterly fought by some of the most powerful union presidents, forced at least three members of the Communist Party to resign in order to file affidavits and qualify their unions for Labour Board services.

President Truman and a large bloc of congressmen and labour organizations are committed to repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act, their efforts failed in both the Houses of Congress this year but Democrats promise to make repeal an issue in the 1950 campaign.

The act became law on June 23, when congress passed it over the President's veto. Its labour relations section, administered by the National Labour Relations Board, went into effect on August 22, 1947.—United Press.

## TALKS ON M. EAST PROBLEMS

Alexandria, August 22.

Premier Nuri Said Pasha of Iraq was to have a second meeting today with the Egyptian Premier, Hussein Sirry Pasha, after breaking his journey here on his way home from a fortnight's holiday in Britain.

Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League, was expected to attend the second meeting.

During an hour's talk in the morning the two Prime Ministers were understood to have discussed relations between Iraq and Egypt in the light of the coup d'etat in Syria and to have explored the Middle East situation generally following Nuri Pasha's talks in London.

The Iraqi Premier, declining to make a statement, said that he would convene a press conference when the talks are over—in two or three days' time.

Arab observers here believed that the present talks will go a long way to clear the troubled atmosphere prevailing throughout the Middle East.—Reuter.

## MOCK AIR RAID OVER TOKYO

Tokyo, August 22.

A small force of American Superfortress bombers, Marauder light bombers, and Mustang fighters combined in a mock bombing raid over Tokyo today.

The bombers made "attacks" on key city buildings, pin-pointing targets with cameras.—Reuter.

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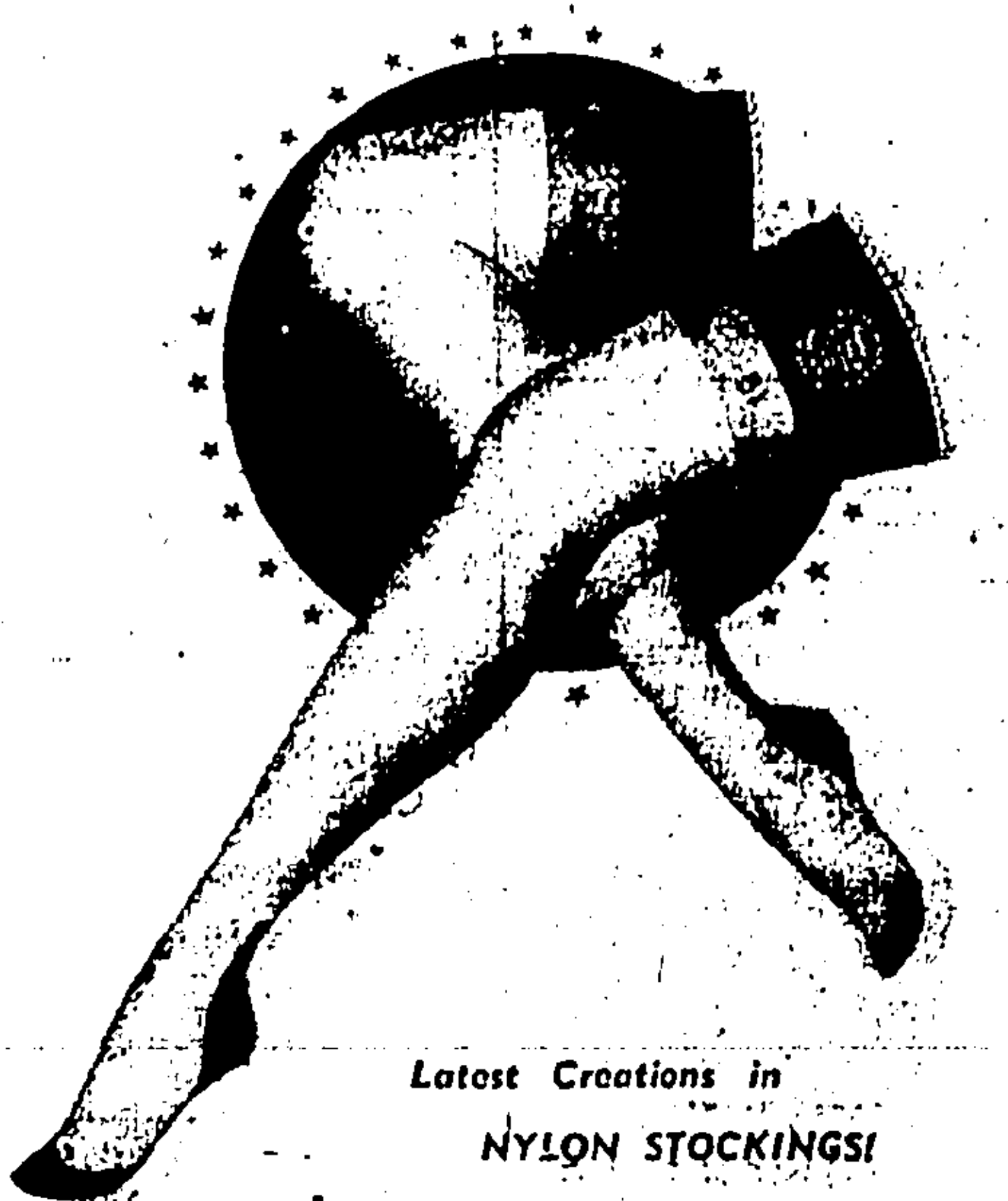
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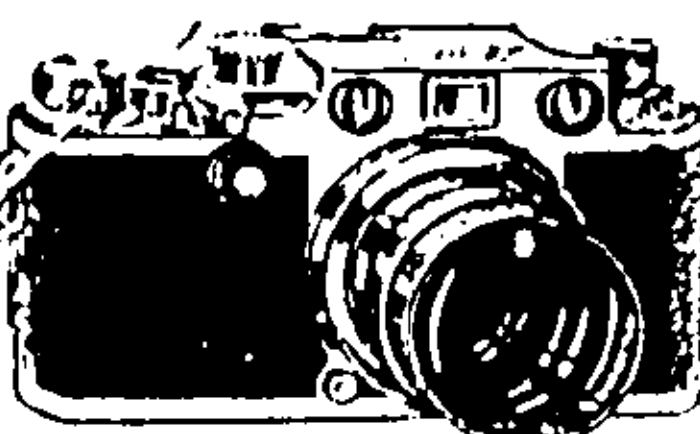
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# TEEN AGE TOPICS



## SIAMESE LIFE

By BETTY BETZ

In Siam a tical is worth about a nickel, and they have very few of real Siamese cats... only ordinary alley cats! However, it's a beautiful country, with plenty of ancient tiered pagodas, and prices here are very low. I bought a whole armful of Siamese toys, kites, dolls and fire-crackers for only 50 cents.

Most of the kids go to school, but few speak English. The girls in private schools wear navy skirts and prime white starched blouses.

On hot days they carry Chinese cooled silk parasols and stop off at a local sweet-shop to buy their favorite drink, namsan, which is orange syrup mixed with carbonated water.

The girls in the public schools wear either short American style cotton dresses or the long wrap-around Siamese skirt with a bare ruffled top.

The boys all wear clean, white shirts, khaki or cotton shorts, and white tennis sneakers, or perhaps no shoes at all. I was very shocked to see small children playing in the streets in their birthday suits!

The Siamese boys love sports and are very agile at shuttlecock games; Siamese soccer, which they play using only their hands and feet; tennis and their own style of boxing. On the main shopping street, there are pingpong tables set up for kids to use.

Like in China, there are comic book stands in every neighbourhood where kids may sit on their haunches and read all day for 50 satang, which is a half a tical, or a half a nickel.

Here the girls do all the hard work. They carry the sacks of rice, haul water from the pump to their homes, cook, and launder as well. The men are supposed to be pampered and idle, I understand. I heard:

"We think it's terrible the way they've modernized our traditional Siamese dancing," said a group of Siamese girls at the YWCA, which is located in a lovely big rambling wooden house with plenty of porches and balconies.

I attended a performance of the Siamese dancing and thought it was quite charming. The jewelled costumes were ablaze with colour, the music was in the minor key,

and the movements of the dancers were slow and graceful.

Siamese dancers train their muscles so that they can bend their hands, arms, and feet at odd angles, and the movement is so slow that you hardly realise they're dancing.

Their costumes of gold brocades, gossamer tulles, and Chinese silk in brilliant colors weigh about 30 pounds each, so that might have something to do with the slow speed of the dance.

In fact one dancer sat on a low table for 15 minutes before she even moved a finger, and just about when I thought she was getting warmed up, the dance was over and the gold curtains closed. If the girls thought these dances were too modern, I wondered what they'd think of American jitterbug.

"We think it's terrible!" they chorused. "And you get so hot!" said Niwatan, who prefers the "Hammong," a popular Siamese dance in which the partners stand two feet apart, walk, and move their arms in a similar way to the traditional dancers. I got her point. Siam is a tropical country, and not only their dances, but everything moves slowly.

"I agree that you kids are more apt to prefer the Siamese 'Hammong' but what was so modern about the performance I saw last evening?" I asked.

"It's too fast..." they complained seriously. "They perform the crocodile dance now in about a half an hour, and it used to last four days!" Now I'm beginning to realize why the Siamese kids didn't latch on to the armful of American recordings I brought with me.

"They sound off key!" complained Yhu Phin.

## PERSONALITY

A popular local teen-ager of very simple tastes is 10-year-old Lillian Jessop who was born in Hong Kong and celebrates her birthday on February 17.

Lillian began her schooling in the French Convent and later transferred to St. Mary's School where she left last year to take a job.

Lillian is at present a typist in a well-known local business firm and says that she enjoys her work.

In school, Lillian played netball and hockey but has left off sports since. She takes an interest however in games played by her friends.

Her favourite pastime is letter-writing. Lillian has a large number of pen friends all over the world. A little different from other teen-agers, Lillian makes it a point to exchange gifts with her pen friends abroad. She sends them things from Hong Kong in which her friends may be interested and in return, receives from abroad things which are novel to her.

To Lillian music is plain jazz and swing. She has no particular favourites. She also goes to the movies regularly and like her taste in jazz she accepts every



LILLIAN JESSOP

actor and actress with the same preference, at favourites.

For reading, Lillian chooses magazines of various kind and prefers stories with a romantic flavour.

Her one ambition is to travel and to continue travelling for a long time. She thinks that a woman's one important ambition is to be a good housewife. That incidentally, is also hers.

## Platter Chatter

TEENTIME: Guests at just week's Teen Time were Anna Sun, Lana Cheung, Gerry D'Almeida and Sunny Lam. One of the guests at Teen Time to write direct to Miss Norma Stevens, c/o Rediffusion.

Norma has sent me Friday's programme which are, in the main, request items. Daddy-O by Jerril Sullivan (who sang for Virginia Mayo in the picture A Song is Born). By the Way, Jo Stafford, I wish I Knew, Dick Haymes, Too Fat Police, Benetke, A Song is Born, Part one Moppin' and Boppin', Fats Waller, Brush Those Tears from your Eyes, Evelyn Knight and Brazil, Dining Sisters.

THE HOT CLUB & THE HIT PARADE: Rediffusion is starting two new weekly programmes. The Hot Club will be inaugurated this evening at 6 p.m. and has paid this column a compliment by choosing discs recommended recently in Platter Chatter.

They are: The Elites Parade, Bobby Sherwood, The World is Waiting for the Sunrise, Denny Goodman, What's This? Gene Krupa, My Baby Likes to Be-Hop, Ella Fitzgerald, The Gof and I, Woody Herman.

I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles, Charlie Ventura, Fantasy (on Frankie and Johnnie), Errol Garner, Dark Eyes, Ted Heath.

I would like to know what our hot fans think of this, so please write in. Remember the time, 6 p.m. this evening! The Hit Parade will have wider appeal and will be put on at 8 p.m. every Saturday night. Be

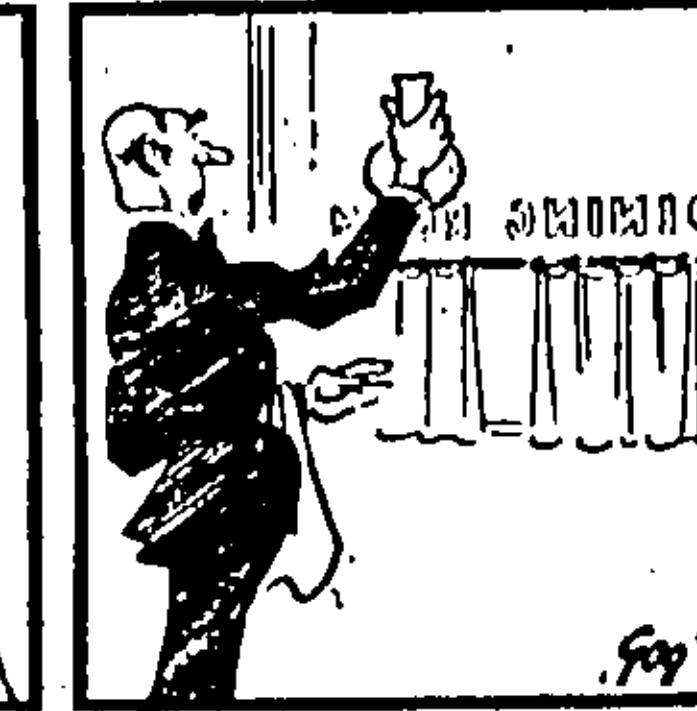
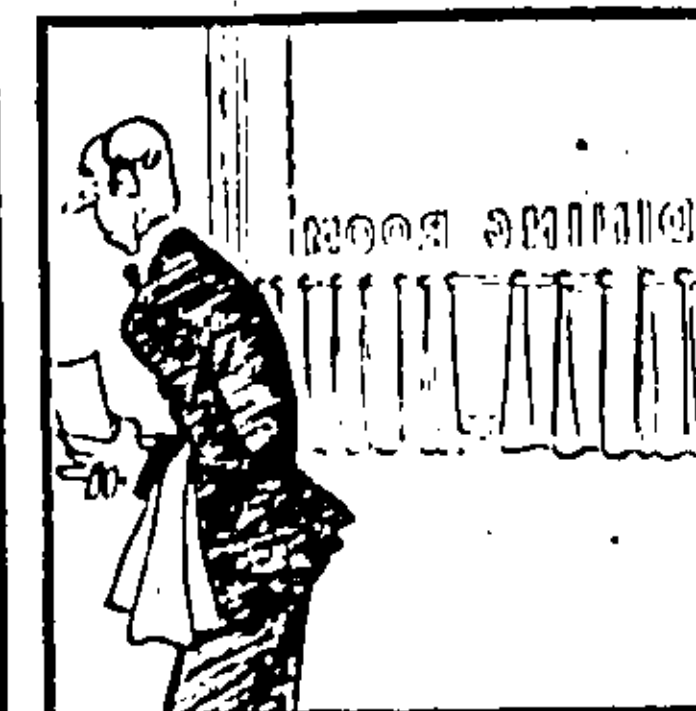
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As softball will soon be coming into season, the Topics will be giving some space to the game for the benefit to those readers of the club who are interested in the sport.

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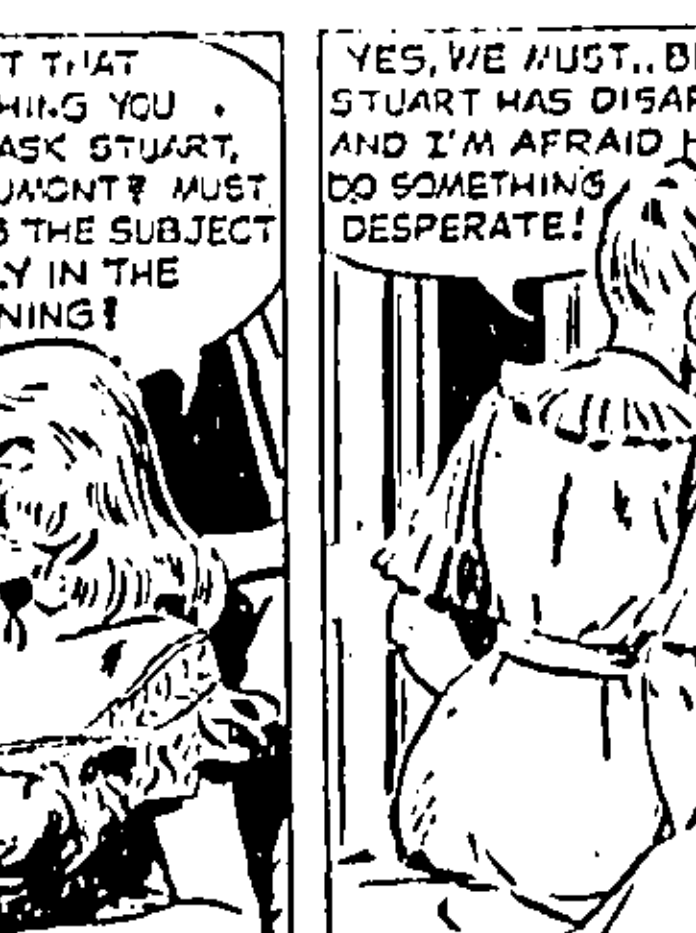
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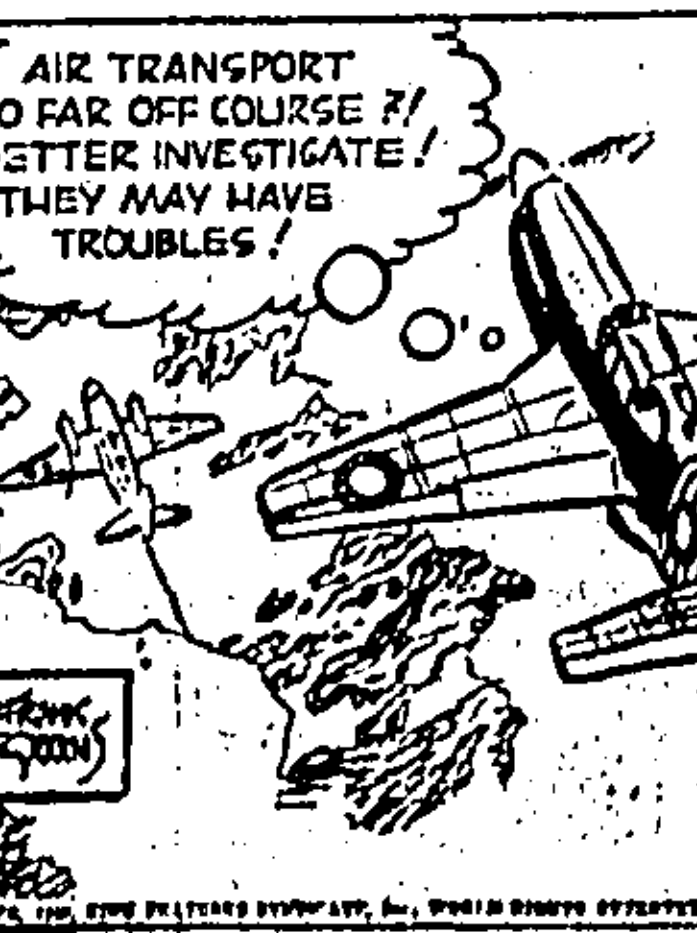
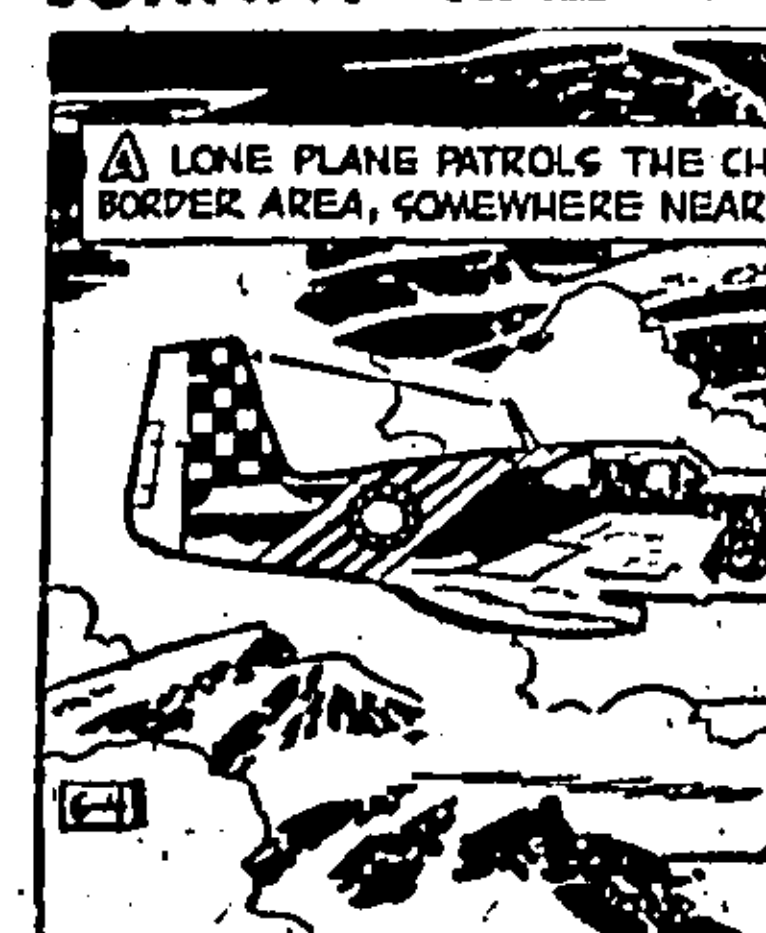
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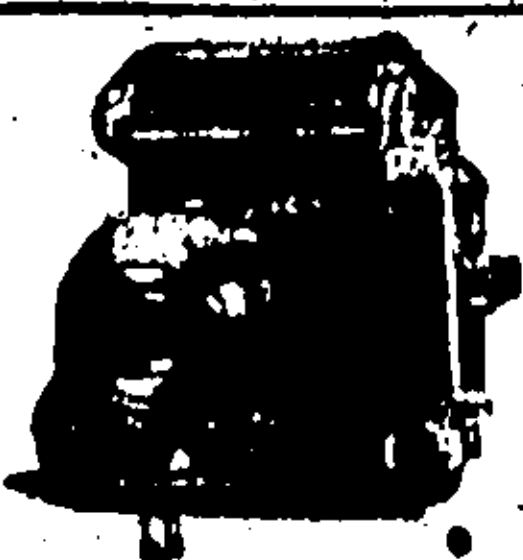
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## Lancashire Score 151 For Two In Second Innings

Liverpool, August 23. Lancashire were 72 runs in arrears of the New Zealanders' first innings total of 390 when they began their second innings here in fine weather and on a good wicket, and by lunch had scored 151 runs for the loss of two wickets.

Washbrook and Ikin opened the innings and scored at a run a minute for the first half hour.

Through a little dusty, the pitch remained firm. Wallace, who had been in the first half hour in order to test the properties of the unresponsive pitch but discovered little.

Washbrook, however, might have been caught by Smith at mid-on when he had scored 15. The opening batsmen wiped off the arrears and Washbrook reached 51 out of 65 in 60 minutes by pulling Rabone for 34.

Two balls later he drove the same bowler out of the ground for another six. A four from Ikin sent the hundred up after one and three quarters hours. Washbrook fell at 115 after a clashing innings, which included two sixes and six fours. Seven runs later, Ikin was bowled. His 56 was obtained in two and a half hours and altogether he hit eight fours.

At lunch, Lancashire led by 79 runs.

Scorer: Lancashire, 1st Innings 318; New Zealand, 1st Innings 390; Lancashire, 2nd Innings 151; Rabone 60; Ikin 57; Place, not out 10; Edrich, not out 10; Extras 15.

## Monday's Play

Liverpool, August 22. Apart from a few minutes at the close of the day New Zealand occupied the wicket throughout today in their match with Lancashire here and, with 390 they gained a first innings lead of 72 runs.

The County knocked off five without loss in their second innings before stumps were drawn. The gates were closed before lunch and the 10,000 spectators saw a keen struggle for first innings lead.

A first wicket stand of 104 suggested that New Zealand would gain this comfortably, but immediately after lunch four wickets fell fairly quickly and the tourists

## Jamaica Boxers Beat Leicesters

(By "RAMBLER")

Some good boxing was seen at the China Fleet Club last night when boxers from HMS Jamaica and the Royal Leicesters Regiment were seen in an evenly matched contest in which the former team won by 12 points to nine.

The sailors won five out of the seven fights on the card. In the lightweight class, AB Stewart beat Private Sheldon on points. Both boxers went all out in the first round and exchanged blows at close range. Stewart had his opponent goggy for quite a while. Sheldon was soon in difficulty and when the bell rang, Stewart was still attacking furiously.

In another lightweight contest between Stoker Crawford and Sergeant Westbrook, the latter suffered a terrific beating and on two occasions he was knocked down.

In the bantamweight event Stoker Warner, showing all the fighting skill he knew, beat Private Busby. Warner soon had his opponent worrying at the start of the beat and with clever footwork and hefty jabs scored many telling blows. Warner was loudly applauded for his boxing skill and secured a popular victory.

One of the best fights of the evening was seen in the welterweight class between Marine Lobb and Private Wager. Although the former won he was given a very good fight by Wager. Lobb's victory was a popular one and a great ovation was given to Wager for his spirited display.

In a special lightweight contest, Private Williams beat Private Freckly by narrow margin. Both contestants were congratulated by the judge for their grand boxing display.

The bouts were of three rounds, of two minutes each.

The following are the results: A. N. Stewart beat Pte. Sheldon; Stoker Crawford beat Sgt. Westbrook.

WELTERWEIGHT: Stoker Pratt lost to L/Cpl. Slater; Mne. Lobb beat Pte. Wager.

BANTAMWEIGHT: Stoker Warner beat Private Busby.

MIDDLEWEIGHT: Stoker Washington beat Corporal Lawrence.

OTHER EVENTS: Boy Fraser beat Boy Shepherd in the second round.

Private Williams beat Private Freckly.

Boy Campbell beat Boy Boydland; Corporal Charlton beat Corporal Bacon.

Boy McNeil beat Boy Hinchliffe.

## HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, August 22. The results of English Football League games played tonight were:

FIRST DIVISION: Blackpool 0, Middlesbrough 1; Stoke City 0, Liverpool 0.

SECOND DIVISION: Blackburn 4, Hull City 2; Cardiff City 1, Sheffield W. 0; Sheffield U. 1, Swansea 0; Huddersfield 4, Plymouth 1; West Ham U. 3, Leeds United 1.

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN): Bristol Rovers 2, Ipswich T. 0.

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN): Gateshead 7, Holfax 1; Hartlepool 2, N. Brighton 0; Southport 1, Chesterfield 1.

## BASEBALL SCORES

New York, August 22. Today's scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE: R H E; Brooklyn Dodgers 6 8 0; Boston Braves 7 10 0; Dodgers p. Bonta, Minner; Braves p. Campanella.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: R H E; Yankees 6 8 0; Red Sox 7 10 0; Yankees p. Saltsell; Red Sox p. Livingston.

## WATER POLO

China's National Club beat the Royal Navy in a water polo match at the Victoria Club last night. The Navy team was defeated 4-1. The match was held at the Victoria Club and was a very close contest. The Navy team was led by their captain, who scored a goal. The Chinese team was led by their captain, who scored a goal. The match was a very close contest and the Navy team was defeated 4-1.

## The Champ Leaves Hospital



Bruce Woodcock, British heavyweight boxing champion, who was injured in a car accident recently, leaves Doncaster Royal Infirmary in a wheel chair.—AP Photo.

## Saturday's Home Soccer —Freak Results Likely

By "ALBION"

Latest reports from London indicate once again dry, cast-iron pitches and these last week were accompanied by the inevitable crop of injuries, so look out for freak results in Saturday's matches.

One of the surprise results last Saturday was at the expense of Birmingham where Chelsea helped themselves to a 3-0 win. This week the Pensioners entertain Derby County at Stamford Park, and if Chelsea's form is not too fickle, I should plump for a home win.

## Forecasts

Forecast for matches to be played on Saturday, August 27:

DIVISION I: VILLA v Fulham; BURNLEY v Bolton; Charlton v Manchester City; CHELSEA v Derby; Everton v Liverpool; Huddersfield v Middlesbrough; MANCHESTER UNITED v West Ham; Stoke v Birmingham; Wolves v Newcastle.

DIVISION II: BRADFORD v Sheffield W.; Bury v Brentford; CARDIFF v Swansea; CHESTERFIELD v Plymouth; GRIMSBY v Coventry; Leicester v Hull; P.N.E. v Leeds.

QUEEN'S PARK v SOUTHAMPTON; SHEFFIELD U. v Luton; Tottenham v Blackburn; WEST HAM v Barnsley.

DIVISION III (SOUTH): ALDERSHOT v Millwall; Bournemouth v Port Vale; Brighton v Northampton; BRISTOL R. v Notts C.; Crystal P. v Ipswich; NORWICH v Bristol C.; NOTTS F. v Walsall; READING v Leyton; Southend v Newport; TORQUAY v Swindon; Watford v Exeter.

DIVISION III (NORTH): Accrington v Rotherham; Darlington v Halifax; DONCASTER v Chester; GATESHEAD v Bradford C.; Hartlepool v Rochdale; MANSFIELD v Carlisle; OLDHAM v Barrow; STOCKPORT v Southport; TRAMMERE v N. Brighton; WREXHAM v Lincoln; York v CREWE.

## ASIAN TENNIS TOURNEY ON DECEMBER 22

Karachi, August 22. It was announced here today that the International Lawn Tennis Championship of Asia will begin in Calcutta on December 22. Invitations to compete have been sent to 47 nations including Britain, the United States, France, Belgium, Canada, Egypt and China.

## Middlesex Pile Up A First Innings Lead Against Surrey

London, August 22.

Middlesex, driving for its second post-war triumph in the English County cricket championship, today piled up a first innings lead of 100 runs in the needle match against Surrey at Lord's here.

Knowing that the team cannot afford to lose any points at this stage, the Middlesex batsmen showed a fine consistency. None of them reached 50 runs, but they scored 359 runs, the only two batsmen failing to reach double figures being the two "cracks"—Denis Compton and Bill Edrich.

By the close of play Surrey had knocked off the Middlesex first innings lead and was 68 runs ahead with another day's play tomorrow.

## TRIANGULAR YACHT RACE WON BY HMS JAMAICA

(By "MAINSHEET BLOCK")

By kind permission of Admiral Oscar C. Badger, USN, Commanding the 1st Task Fleet, the Task Fleet band played at the Club on Saturday evening. This generous gesture, information of which was only received on Tuesday, enabled 250 people to enjoy dancing to this outstanding band.

On Sunday, a triangular race was sailed between USS St. Paul, HMS Jamaica and the Yacht Club. The race was sailed in Stars with a flood tide and patchy with easterly wind. Lieut. Janion and Capt. Hancock soon established a lead. The Naval boat won after a struggle.

The remainder, except for one Club boat which lost to the Club boat, did not change the positions they had taken at the first mark.

HMS Jamaica won with 9 1/2 pts. USS St. Paul, whose team were sailing in strange craft and for the first time this tricky harbour, were second with 14 pts. The Club were 3rd with five pts.

There was also a full turn out for the other races. The Redwing race in particular was very close, contested. It produced some exciting moments when intervals of a few feet and loss of one or two places occurred on the finishing line.

Next Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, being the last in August, Ladies Dinghy Races will be held.

Last week's results were: Tuesday, August 16. 2nd Dinghy Series Race: 1st Furrer (1) 1.25.10 (2nd) 2nd Howell (4) 1.30.34 (3rd) 3rd Younger (9) 1.31.10 (4th) 4th Lauer (11) 1.32.20 (5th) 5th Lauer (14) 1.33.10 (6th) 6th Evans (15) 1.32.25 (7th) 7th Miss Loney (12) 1.32.05 (8th) 8th Jupp (6) 1.31.05 (9th) 9th Robinson (10) 1.31.05 (10th) 10th Campbell (13) DNF.

Thursday, August 18. Novice Dinghy Series Race: 1st Mr. A. Boyle (1) 1.12.10 (2nd) 2nd Lauer (13) 1.20.01 (3rd) 3rd Miss P. Kirby (1) 1.20.01 (4th) 4th Blackburn-Kane (5) 1.47.32 (5th) 5th Miss H. Boyle (11) DNF (6th) 6th DNF.

Saturday, August 20. 2nd Dinghy Series Race: 1st Corbett (3) 1.12.50 (2nd) 2nd Spencer-Cooper (10) 1.14.00 (3rd) 3rd Howell (6) 1.19.30 (4th) 4th De Goede (11) 1.20.30 (5th) 5th Evans (15) 1.30.50 (6th) 6th Price (16) 1.21.15 (7th) 7th Price (15) 1.22.45 (8th) 8th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (9th) 9th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (10th) 10th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (11th) 11th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (12th) 12th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (13th) 13th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (14th) 14th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (15th) 15th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (16th) 16th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (17th) 17th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (18th) 18th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (19th) 19th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (20th) 20th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (21st) 21st Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (22nd) 22nd Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (23rd) 23rd Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (24th) 24th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (25th) 25th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (26th) 26th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (27th) 27th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (28th) 28th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (29th) 29th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (30th) 30th Lauer (14) 1.23.50 (31st) 31st Lauer (14) 1.23.50 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